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RUSSIAN PRESS LAWS

Will Be Made Applicable Alike to Provincial and Metropolitan Papers.

(Associated Press.)

St. Petersburg, Jan. 12.—The committee of ministers resumed their consideration of the press laws to-day. One of the things already decided on is the unification of the laws in order to make them applicable alike to provincial and metropolitan papers. It is understood that the committee decided to consider the question of the responsibility of ministers before the courts, ministers being now responsible for their act only to the Emperor.

CHINA WANTS CARS.

Tenders Will Be Invited From Foreign Builders.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 12.—It is stated that the Chinese eastern railway is about to invite tenders abroad for several thousand freight cars of extra large dimensions, the order totalling several millions of dollars. Dissatisfaction is expressed at the prospect of such a large foreign order, and it is urged that cars should be built as could be turned out of Russian workshops.

ALLOWED TO RETURN.

Three Thousand Bulgarian Refugees May Take Up Residence in Macedonia.

(Associated Press.)

Constantinople, Jan. 12.—An irade, which doubtless will be helpful in tranquilizing Macedonia, authorizes the return of 3,000 Bulgarian refugees to their homes in the vilayet of Andrianople, and also orders Inspection General Helmi Pasha to see that the amnesty granted to Macedonian Bulgarians is respected, and that acts of injustice are stopped.

ACTION POSTPONED.

Negotiations Between Russia and States Regarding Arbitration Treaty Delayed.

(Associated Press.)

St. Petersburg, Jan. 12.—Russia has been informally notified by the United States government that owing to the limited time at the disposal of the short session of the American congress further negotiations on the subject of the proposed Russian American arbitration treaty will be postponed. Only those treaties which are of uniform model can be laid before the senate this session.

WESTERN FUEL COMPANY'S REQUEST

SUGGEST COAL TAX AS THE ONLY CHANGE

W. J. Sutton Gives His Views With Reference to Land and Timber Subjects.

The assessment commission will, when it adjourns to-morrow evening, stand adjourned until Tuesday morning of next week. The Vancouver delegations will not come over until next week.

On opening this morning a communication was read from the Vancouver Board of Trade asking what day next week it would be convenient for a delegation to appear. It was agreed that the commission when it rose on Friday evening would stand adjourned until Tuesday morning.

E. W. Yarwood, appearing for the Western Fuel Company, urged that the taxation on coal companies pressed unjustly. It was pointed out that the royalty was put on in 1884.

The coal tax of 5 cents a ton was collected on every ton of coal mined. With reference to the exemption for taxation on coal lands, it was provided that it should apply to the area mined, and assessors made a very wide difference in the interpretation of this. The act should be amended so as to make it clear and a certain amount fixed for each opening.

He had the statement of Mr. Dunsmuir, who introduced this coal tax, and he said that the intention of it was to be in substitution for all taxes on coal lands.

The Western Fuel Company paid $20,000 as coal tax in 1902. They paid $2,300 in other provincial taxes on the coal lands. The capitalization of the company was $600,000. The taxes constituted 4 per cent. on the capitalization.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow wanted to know what the profits were.

Mr. Yarwood replied that there had been no profits from this company. The Vancouver Coal Company, the predecessors of the Western Fuel Company, in 20 years did not average 6 per cent. on the investment in dividends a year.

With the competiiton of oil in California and the difficulties in mining, the company found that these taxes pressed heavily.

Under the new Assessment Act the increase in taxation on the lands would have been about $2,000 additional to that paid. The assessment was reduced, making the increase about $1,100.

Mr. Yarwood said that there was no objection to the 5 per cent. tax on the coal. He thought this should be the only tax collected.

Incidentally Mr. Yarwood mentioned that the company would put out 400,000 tons of coal this year.

Mr. Yarwood alluded to the fact that the duty on coal going into the United States was now restored, which worked against the company. With reference to the royalty paid by the Crow's Nest Company, Mr. Yarwood said that that was on merchantable coal only, and showed that in one shipment from Nanaimo 40 per cent. was destroyed by crushing, etc. If a royalty had to be paid by the Vancouver Island mines in addition to the coal tax, the companies would have to cease work. The mining of the coal was infinitely more expensive in the Vancouver Island mines than it was in the Crow's Nest Pass.

Mr. Ker alluded to the fact that the Dunsmuir's mines apparently made profits.

Mr. Yarwood, replying, said that the Dunsmuir mines made their profits in the days of the Wellington mines, when high prices were obtained in San Francisco.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow wanted the opinion of Mr. Yarwood as to the suggestion made that some lands assessed as wild lands should be put in a separate division on account of it being impossible to improve them.

Mr. Yarwood thought there should be a difference. Lands held purely as coal lands and incapable of being improved should come under a different class to wild lands.

Another point raised by Mr. Yarwood was with respect to forced sales for taxes. It was pointed out that under such a sale the actual owner of property was not permitted to redeem. Only the assessed owner was given this redeeming privilege. This worked a hardship. A man bought a lot from the company. After paying a few installments to the company he allowed his taxes to become delinquent. At the sale the original and actual owner was not allowed to redeem, only the assessed owner being given this privilege.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow said this subject had been referred to the attorney-general, who would no doubt arrive at a solution within a short time.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow said with reference to the taxation of coal lands, it appeared that it might be wise to make a new classification for it, taking it out of the wild lands classification.

Mr. Ker asked whether the New Vancouver Coal Company when it sold out did not make a profit in addition to the 6 per cent. in dividends.

Mr. Yarwood said that the company when it sold out did so at less than the property cost.

Mr. Ker saw a great difficulty in making a fresh classification for lands, which were essentially coal lands. It would be difficult to say from the surface what part of the 7,000 acres of lands held by the Western Fuel Company really covered coal.

Mr. Yarwood thought that an exemption of a certain acreage for each opening could be exempted.

A letter was read from Mr. Shannon, of Vancouver, in which suggestions were made in connection with the timber administration. He complained that the tax pressed heavy upon timber men. As there was no market locally for telegraph poles, etc., it would be wise to allow of the shipping of these to Mexico, where there was a demand for them, free of taxation. These remained otherwise on the land, and were very often destroyed by fire. He also suggested that the timber owners should be compelled to cut the timber clear of the land, so as to avoid fires, and also that all waste material left should be burned up.

This Hon. Mr. Tatlow said was outside the scope of the commission. It was decided, however, to ask Mr. Shannon to appear and give his views on the subject.

W. J. Sutton, M. E., next appeared. He said that he had been asked to attend on account of his intimate knowledge of the province. Wild land was not properly classified. There were many divisions under this classification. In timber lands there was first class running 30,000 feet to the acre, and second class, those running 15,000 feet to the acre. There was also agricultural lands in wild lands which varied according to their proximity to a market. There were pasture lands available for cattle, and more barren ones which might be used for sheep. There were coal and mineral lands also, and all these came under wild lands. Timber lands were assessed under the same classification, although the values differed very widely. The same was true of other divisions.

The land laws were framed in such a way as to destroy the chief asset of the province—the land. He did not disapprove of the price of $5 an acre for crown lands. The government should give every facility towards purchasing the land, and not put an embargo on it by means of the 5 per cent. tax as wild land. The province, in order to lessen the cost of surveys, should undertake the surveys. The choice sections should be surveyed first. The survey should classify whether it was timber lands or agricultural. According to the classification the price should be set.

Giving an example of the working of the timber laws, he explained in connection with timber land bought by his father 15 years ago that an injustice was worked. This timber land was bought for $5 an acre. It cost 50c. an acre to cruise and 50c. to survey, bringing the cost up to $6 an acre. At 6 per cent. interest on the investment 36c. an acre was charged against it. Under the 5 per cent. tax as wild lands this was increased 15c. an acre, making an annual charge of 51c. an acre.

The law now allowed lease holders to come in and get timber land for 21 years at 25c. an acre.

The argument that the selling of large tracts conduced to land grabbing was a false one. The granting of leases lent itself very readily to this.

Classifying those who sought timber lands from the government Mr. Sutton said there was the purchaser; the leaser whom he described as a timber waster, as he went in and took the best of the timber; the licenser who was a timber destroyer. The latter got the privilege to go over 640 acres for $140. He picked only the best sections, and took the best of the trees and the best parts of these. The result was that he lost money and wrought the greatest destruction. The last class was the pulp leaser or the timber grafter, who got large grants without putting up a dollar.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow called attention to the fact that this clause had been repealed and no further grants could be made.

Chairman Carter-Cotton could see no objection to leasing what was actually pulp lands provided only the pulp timber was used. The provincial act was objectionable inasmuch as there were not proper restrictions put on.

Mr. Sutton called attention to another class of land which had a little timber, but was not really timber lands. It was rocky in large part and only small sections adapted for agriculture. The subject of classifying wild lands was one which required the most careful consideration. This embargo of 5 per cent. tax on wild lands would make the selling of crown lands prohibitive.

Mr. Sutton before leaving called the attention of members of the government to a recommendation which he had made to a commission appointed by the United States government with reference to surveying mineral claims. Mr. Sutton argued that mineral claims should be surveyed due north and south and east and west. This would work no hardship, and would simplify matters. He would not allow fractions of less than ten chains.

The commission adjourned until this afternoon.

HIGH COMMISSION.

Question of Meeting Will Be Considered After Prorogation of Canadian Parliament.

(Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 12.—Senator Fairbanks and Secretary of State Hay had a long conference to-day concerning Canadian reciprocity and other subjects which were to have come before the joint high commission. After the conference Senator Fairbanks made the following statement:

"The subject of the reassembling of the joint high commission will be considered after the prorogation of the Canadian parliament. The matter will rest in abeyance until then."

TWO MEN KILLED

By Explosion of Boiler of Locomotive on the Erie Railroad.

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 11.—The boiler of a locomotive attached to the eastbound fast express train on the Erie road blew up while standing at the Creston, Ohio, station to-day killing the engineer and fireman instantly, and badly injuring another man. The cause of the explosion is unknown.

SUICIDE AT VANCOUVER.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Jan. 12.—E. Droussart, contractor and a large owner of real estate, hanged himself last night in a house in the East End. The young woman with whom he was in love refused to marry him, and other troubles probably suggested suicide.

BIBLES RESTORED TO AGENTS.

(Associated Press.)

Constantinople, Jan. 12.—The intervention of the American legation has been successful, and the Bibles seized at Mersina and Trebizond (Asiatic Turkey) have been restored to the American Bible Society's agents.

In the reign of Edward III. the brewers and bakers were women, and when men first began to do such work the innovation was thought so strange that they were called men-brewers and men-bakers.

REITERATES CHARGES AGAINST RUSSIANS

HAVE DISREGARDED SIGN OF RED CROSS

Japanese Baron Says He Does Not Look for Peace—Determined to Hold Port Arthur.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Jan. 12.—Baron Kaneko returned yesterday to this city from Washington. In an interview he stated that he does not look for peace, says the Tribune.

"Surely no proposal would come from us, and the Russians declared some time ago that they would dictate the terms," he said. "When after the Chinese-Japanese war Japan took possession of Port Arthur, it was said that Japan must evacuate Manchuria to preserve the peace of the world. We did so, because we were anxious to preserve the peace of Asia. But now it has become necessary again to occupy Port Arthur for the same reason that caused us to leave it.

"The capture of Port Arthur was a great achievement for my country, and the civilized countries generally benefits by it. Times without number the Russians have at Port Arthur disregarded the sign of the Red Cross, which in all civilized countries has always been regarded with sacred reverence. They have persistently fired on the Red Cross burying parties, and have retarded, whenever possible, the proper care of the wounded. This matter will probably be brought before the Geneva Red Cross convention when the war is ended.

"I recall now a remark made by Gen. Kouropatkin on the occasion of his visit to Tokio, a year ago last May. He had been most hospitably received and feted. Every possible attention was shown him. Just before his departure he was presented to one of our heroes of the war with China. You will pardon me if I refuse to give his name. 'Well,' said General Koutopatkin, 'you captured Port Arthur at that time, but you could not do it now, for we have fortified it too strongly.' The Japanese, who was more polite than the Russian officer, made no reply. What a satisfaction it must have been for our hero, when, despite that boast, the Japanese took what Kouropatkin thought was impossible."

"We are now absolute masters of the sea in the East. Port Arthur, Vladivostock, Dalny and Newchwang are all shut to Russia, and the only means left her forces to obtain supplies is by land by way of the trans-Siberian railroad. But the facilities which this road offers are far too inadequate to supply properly 300,000 soldiers with food and clothing.

"Because of the terribly severe cold weather at present prevailing in Manchuria it is not possible to carry on the land hostilities. They will probably be resumed in March with the exception, perhaps, of slight skirmishes. The cold is so intense that the soldiers are compelled to wear thick gloves, which prevent them from handling their guns as they would otherwise. They take shelter in roofed trenches.

"The Japanese line extends over a twenty mile front, with Marshal Oyama in the centre, Gen. Oku on the left and Gen. Kuroki on the right.

"Marshal Oyama is on the Shahke river in the north, and when the fighting resumes, the Russians will try to prevent his advance to Mukden, where the decisive battle might be fought. It seems to me that the moral effect of the victory of the Japanese force at Port Arthur will be a great factor in the future land operations. It will tend to inspire the Japanese to a greater effort, while on the other hand, the news of their defeat will probably greatly discourage the Russians."

FIREMEN INJURED

While Engaged Fighting Flames at Chelsea, Mass.—Property Loss Placed at $200,000.

(Associated Press.)

Chelsea, Mass., Jan. 12.—A loss of $200,000 was caused by a fire which raged for more than three hours in the centre of this city early to-day, before it was controlled by the united efforts of the Chelsea, Everett and Boston fire departments. Henry Giggey, a local fireman, is at the hospital in a dangerous condition. Several others were more or less injured by the falling glass.

ENGLISH CATHEDRALS.

Interesting Address by Bishop Perrin Last Evening at Y. M. C. A. Rooms.

Quite a crowd gathered at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, Broad street, last evening to hear Bishop Perrin's illustrated lecture on "The English Cathedrals." The discourse proved one of the most interesting and instructive yet given under the auspices of the entertainment committee of the association. His Lordship was enabled to enter into an exhaustive comparison of the architectural peculiarities of the principal cathedrals by means of a large collection of views showing both the exterior and interior of most of these magnificent buildings. In the course of his remarks he drew attention by means of comparison to the old Norman style, the improvements introduced in the early English decade and then the more elaborate and decorative designing since introduced.

After giving a short talk on Winchester and other immense cathedrals, he displayed a splendid picture of that located at Lincoln. In this connection the bold, rugged, unadorned style of the Normans was pointed out and compared with early English architecture to be found in a later addition to the building. Then marble had been introduced, more especially in the interior arrangements, with beautiful and even glorious effects.

Wells Cathedral was situated in the neighborhood of the small town of Wells, which boasted of a population of only 2,000 inhabitants. This magnificent pile, a view of which was thrown on the screen, commanded the city and the whole surrounding country. Its west end was considered the most beautiful of any similar structure in England.

"The only cathedral in the Old Country which has three spires" was mentioned as the peculiar feature of the Litchfield Cathedral by His Lordship. In describing Ely Cathedral, Cambridgeshire, the speaker mentioned the history of an inverted arch, a view of which was shown. This, he stated, had been constructed after the erection of the building as an additional support to the centre tower, which was pressing down and would likely have fallen had not some such action been taken.

Concluding, Bishop Perrin presented excellent pictures of Salisbury, Peterboro, Chester, Oxford and St. Albans Cathedrals, besides Westminster Abbey. Having visited most of these buildings, he was able to give a detailed description in each case.

Previous to the commencement of the lecture the Misses Scowcroft rendered a number of excellent musical selections. On the conclusion of his address Bishop Perrin was tendered a hearty vote of thanks.

TUG WANDERER FINED

For Towing the Steamer Jefferson From Swanson Bay Without First Clearing.

In connection with the Jefferson incident, another steamer has been fined for a violation of the customs regulations. The Jefferson, it will be remembered, was disabled in Swanson bay some time ago and sent her passengers south on the steamer City of Seattle. This was considered an offence, and the Seattle was fined accordingly.

At the same time the tug Wanderer was secured to take the disabled ship to Seattle. She proceeded north 500 miles through Canadian waters, and, taking the Jefferson in tow, started south, not stopping until she came to Nanaimo. Here her captain reported at the customs, and succeeded in taking out clearance and entrance papers. For the time being the matter was overlooked, until the case was reported to J. C. Newbury, acting collector of this port, who, on looking into the circumstances, imposed a fine of $400 on the owners of the tug. Even had the steamer called here on her way north, he says, he could not legally have cleared her under the circumstances. Swanson Bay is not a port of entry, and the infraction of the shipping laws thus committed is equivalent to a Canadian tug proceeding to some mill port on Puget Sound without even reporting at the American customs house until she had proceeded half way to sea with her tow.

AUTOMOBILE LIVERY TO BE BUILT HERE

According to Journal Devoted to Auto Subjects—Will Be Finest in Western Canada.

According to last month's Automobile Review there is to be a big auto livery established here in the spring. The article in the periodical is as follows:

The finest garage and automobile livery in Western Canada is to be built early next spring in Victoria, B. C. A company composed of local English capitalists is completing preparations for incorporation with a capital of $50,000 to erect a garage and stock it with modern cars as an automobile livery.

This will be the only automobile livery in Canada west of Winnipeg, and local motorists are greatly interested in the project. The scheme is at present at that stage where all the necessary capital has been subscribed, or enough in any case to go ahead with the undertaking. But the negotiations at present all centre round a deal for a site for the garage which it is planned to make a model one for its size in every respect. The site which the promoters have in view for the garage is a particular piece of land situated in the heart of the city. As another industrial concern is also reported to be negotiating for the same property the promoters of the automobile livery desire to remain in the background for the present.

Provisional plans have already been prepared by the promoters for a garage, large and roomy, to cost about $10,000. This garage is to be thoroughly equipped with lathes, tools and machinery to do all kinds of repair work on automobiles, motor bicycles and gasoline launches, of which there are a large number in that vicinity. To commence with, it is intended to put in about ten cars of the latest model with side entrance to the tonneau, in commission in the livery department. Then, later on, according as business increases, more cars will be added to the renting stock. As the proposed company will have at least $40,000 available for the purchase of new cars, it is expected that before another season starts and the taste of the people increases for automobiling, fully forty cars will be in commission.

One of the leading spirits in the scheme has stated that English cars will be used exclusively in this garage, as the men behind the project seem to have an antipathy for American cars. The fact that one of the promoters has relatives in England who are engaged in the automobile manufacture is said to have influenced the decision to buy English cars. The saving of duty is also put forward as another reason. It is expected that the orders for the cars will be placed as soon as the deal for the site is put through.

VOTING TO-DAY.

Public Are Selecting Their Municipal Representatives—Small Vote Expected.

Candidates for municipal honors may be easily located to-day. With one or two exceptions they are standing outside the entrances to the various polling stations, brimful of geniality, and extending the glad hand to their constituents, always of course before the latter cast their votes. There is nothing so pleasant to contemplate as an affable, accommodating candidate on election day. This morning there was no indication that a large vote would be polled. The electors came along slowly, and it must be confessed somewhat indifferently.

The Times political prophet does not agree with the seer on the morning paper. He thinks the following prediction fairly reasonable: North Ward—Hall, Beckwith and a fight between Kinsman and Fullerton. Centre Ward—The same trio who sat in the seats of the mighty last year. South Ward—Vincent, Fell and a scrimmage between Oddy and Douglas. For school trustee the prediction is Jay, Bolton and Huggett. This is the order on the ballot paper, but whether in the results it is too hard a proposition to say.

The Times will bulletin the returns this evening as soon as they are available.

OFFICIAL OPENING OF PARLIAMENT

EARL GREY READ THE SPEECH FROM THRONE

Bill to Provide Provincial Autonomy for the Northwest Territories Will Be Introduced.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Jan. 12.—The official opening of parliament took place to-day. The weather was anything but pleasant. There was a cold, biting wind with drifting snow, and the public works department had a hard time of it in cleaning the walks of Parliament Hill before the Vice Regal party arrived. The attendance in the Senate chamber, despite the unfavorable weather, was large.

Earl Grey delivered the following speech from the throne:

Hon. Gentlemen of the Senate, Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

I desire on this occasion to assure you how sensible I am of the great honor conferred on me by the King, in appointing me to the distinguished position of Governor-General.

My pleasure in being called upon to represent His Majesty in the Dominion has been heightened by the cordial welcome I have received on all sides and from all classes.

This favored land, with all its vast resources and improving facilities for transportation, is attracting people on an ever ascending scale, not only from the United Kingdom, but also from the United States and from many other countries. As the opportunities for settlement under the advantageous conditions which exist become better known, this Dominion will become the home of an increasing number of happy and contented people, whose character and prosperity will add strength to the great Empire of which you are so important a part. It is gratifying to note that the trade of the Dominion, which in recent years has so steadily increased, is not diminishing, the aggregate trade for the last fiscal year being the largest on record. The revenue for the past six months is also greater than for the corresponding period of the preceding year.

On the invitation of the President of the United States, my government has joined in the formation of an international commission composed of three representatives from each country to investigate and report upon the conditions and uses of the waters adjacent to the boundary line between the United States and Canada, and to make such recommendations for improvements and regulations as shall best subserve the interests of navigation in the said waters.

The rapid growth in the population of the Northwest Territories during the past two years justifies the wisdom of conferring on these Territories provincial autonomy. A bill for that purpose will be submitted for your consideration.

The surveys necessary for the location of the line of the national transcontinental Canadian railway are being vigorously prosecuted, and it is confidently believed that tenders for the construction of several sections may be invited during the coming season.

The display of Canadian products made last year at the St. Louis exposition proved a marked success in attracting agriculturists to the Western prairie.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

The accounts of the last year will be laid before you. It will be satisfactory to you to learn that the expenditure has been less than the revenue, leaving a surplus over all charges.

The estimates for the coming year will be submitted at an early date; they have been prepared with a due regard for economy consistent with the development of the resources of the Dominion.

Hon. Gentlemen of the Senate, Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

I invite your best attention to the subjects I have mentioned and invoke the Divine blessing on your deliberations.

After the reading of the speech parliament adjourned until Monday.

FIRE AT NEEPAWA.

Opera House Destroyed, Occupants of Building Are Heavy Losers.

(Associated Press.)

Winnipeg, Jan. 12.—Neepawa opera house was destroyed by fire this morning. The loss on the building is $12,000. The fire originated in a defective furnace. Among occupants who are losers are: Kerr & Graham, general merchants, $25,000; Geo. Dinwoodie, $5,000; W. C. Nelson, $2,000; Burns Bros., $1,000; B. Richardson, Dr. McFadden and W. Wright, barber, $500 each. West of the opera house Jos. Wakefield's building, occupied as a business college, and the Field house building were torn down to prevent the spread of the flames. It took the firemen three hourse to get on a stream of water.

RAILWAY RATES.

President of Company Opposed to Powers Being in Hands of Interstate Commerce Commission.

(Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 12.—Samuel Spencer, president of the Southern railway, and authorized to voice the sentiment of the New York Central, Erie, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, Northern Pacific, Illinois Central, Delaware, Lackawana & Western, and other railway companies, spoke vigorously to-day before the House committee on interstate and foreign commerce against the Cooper-Quarles bill, or any proposition to authorize the interstate commerce commission to fix railway rates.

Mr. Spencer is the first direct representative of the railways to be heard by the committee, and his testimony is taken as the keynote of the opposition to rate fixing by the commission.

The board of directors of Brandon college are preparing to erect a building for lady students where residential accommodations will be afforded, and extra provision for music and art will be made.

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MOTHER COUNTRY AND THE COLONIES

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S SPEECH AT PRESTON

Says He Believes Mutually Satisfactory Arrangements Can Be Made—Refutes Opposition's Assertions.

London, Jan. 11.—Mr. Chamberlain, speaking at Preston, first replied to Mr. Asquith, probably the most persistent critic. Mr. Chamberlain said:

"From the beginning and what have been the origin, the foundations of the proposals which I have ventured to lay before my countrymen and of the arguments by which I supported them, are two. In the first place, I have said that the broad experience of the past thirty years has shown that British trade is on a less secure basis than it was formerly. I have pointed out that circumstances during the last thirty years have changed to our disadvantage, and I have argued that where circumstances have changed theory and system have changed likewise. Then, in the second place, I have said that what we call Empire, which is not one in the true sense of the word not yet what we call Empire, must be strengthened and organized if we, as

A Part of That Empire,

are to hold our heads as high as we have done in the past and if we are to take our part in the progress of the world, equal to any and not inferior to any. In order to ensure that result my text has been, in the words of one of the

Greatest of Our Colonial Statesmen,

a man not interested in our politics and that speaking therefore, with no reference to party consideration, but as a representative of our greatest colony, I mean Sir Wilfrid Laurier—he said. 'If we do not come closer together we must inevitably drift apart.' Now what is Mr. Asquith's answer? Well, he goes to his brief (laughter), and the first thing he finds there is this: "Abuse the plaintiff's attorney" (laughter), and he has therefore said many uncivil things to which I will make no reply."

Mr. Chamberlain went on to refute Mr. Asquith's and the opposition's assertion that he was partly protectionist. Proceeding, he said: "If I am a protectionist I wonder what Mr. Asquith would say and how he would describe Sir Wilfrid Laurier: is he protectionist? that great colonial statesman. If he is not protectionist then neither am I, since I agree with his policy in every particular. If he is a protectionist or if Mr. Asquith calls him so, why, I should like to ask, why did his clients, the Cobden Club, give Sir Wilfrid Laurier the greatest honor which it was possible for them to pay—giving him the gold medal of that magnificent association (cheers and laughter) on the distinct ground of the service that he rendered free trade.

"Whether I am protectionist or not is no answer whatever to the statements made as to the foundation of policy I recommend. Does Mr. Asquith agree with what I have said in that respect? Does he agree that though at times we are a prosperous nation, though our trade is great, though there is no immediate probability of a great catastrophe, yet that there are cracks and crevices in the structure of

Our Commercial Position

which if they are not taken in time, if the warning which they convey is not recognized, if we do not strengthen the foundation—will inevitably lead to danger in the future? Does he agree with that? Does he agree, when I tell you, on the authority of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and on the authority of every man who has studied this great question of the union of the Empire, that we cannot go on as we are, that we must go forward or we shall go back and the present is a critical time and that it is given to this generation to decide for the descendants whether the Empire which their predecessors created shall be lost by their unworthy descendants."

After considerable discourse on the trade which immediately concerned Preston, Mr. Chamberlain proceeded: "I propose a reasonable preference. Obtain from the colonies an equivalent concession by which the markets of the colonies will be secured, at all events in a large proportion, to you (cheers), and if you think at the present time the markets of colonies small by the side of other markets, remember that we are only at the beginning of the growth of the Empire. Within the last few years we have seen the extraordinary start which our greatest colonies have taken. You may see their population multiplied five or even tenfold. You may find you have the greatest and the most quickly grown markets in the world. Secure them by bonds of steel; by bonds that are both bonds of sentiment and interest. Secure that while you can, or you or your descendants

Will Regret Your Decision

forever after. Labor would be employed, the most of which the foreigner would pay as toll for the right of entry into the best, biggest market in the world."

Reverting again to the imperial side of the question, Mr. Chamberlain proceeded: "I could not possibly deal at length with the one part of my programme, to which I attach the greatest importance, to which I am devoting my life. I hope I have done something to bring about the consolidation of the Empire, which will alone enable this country, of whose past we are so proud, to carry on the glorious tradition—not being isolated alone but as a part of a Greater Empire. (Loud cheers.) Mr. Asquith says the loyalty of the colonies undoubtedly was never so great and deep as it is at the present time. I welcome the admission, and what an admission it is for one of those who during the past eight years have never ceased abusing us for our colonial policy; what an admission it is to say that at the end of that time we shall have left the colonies more loyal than they were ever before.

"To suggest such a thing as the loyalty of the colonies for sale was worse than a libel. It was a gross insult to friends for him to go on to declare that the colonies ask sacrifices from us and will give none in return. It is not true that they have more to give us than we have to offer them. I do not believe for a moment that what they (the colonies) have said on this subject has been influenced by pecuniary or selfish motives. I believe that we have, as they desire, to find some

Means of Drawing Closer

in order that, in the words of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, we may never drift apart. I believe that mutually satisfactory arrangements can be made between us, that there is no other country in the world, if met with a similar offer, would not jump at it, and it is only when made by our own, who stood by us in our adversity and heard us when all other men made a mock of us (loud cheers) that we hesitate.

"If you consider the proposal for commercial union as the first step towards a realization of that definite and organized Empire, which has been the aspiration of every British statesman for many years, then I say, it would be almost suicidal to refuse to discuss commercial relations with the colonies. The people of this country have the right to know what it is their kinsmen offer them when they ask to treat. No man is empowered by the people to close the door, and I don't believe that it will be by the will of the people that this opportunity will be ever denied them. Leaders have no right to put an obstacle in your way. For my part I cannot doubt but that the people of this country have too much sense, too much patriotism, to lose the greatest opportunity this generation ever had, which, if neglected, may never come to you again."

Mr. Chamberlain resumed his seat amidst loud cheers.

WINNIPEG NEWS.

Sarah A. Pearson, Charged With Murder, Extradited—C. P. R. Extensions.

Winnipeg, Jan. 11.—Taylor, who murdered his wife in October, is dying in the provincial jail and will not live six weeks.

Wheat Inspection.

Twenty-five million five hundred thousand bushels of grain were inspected at Winnipeg during the period beginning September 1st and closing December 31st of last year. The previous year the figures were 23,500,000 bushels, or an increase in favor of the present year of 2,000,000 bushels.

Fire at Macleod.

The canteen and No. 2 barracks of the Northwest Mounted Police at Macleod were destroyed by fire this morning. No. 1 barracks was saved with difficulty by citizens.

Extradition Granted.

The extradition of Sarah Ann Pearson, of Mullalelish county, Armagh, Ireland, was granted to-day. The woman is wanted in Ireland to answer the charge of having murdered her mother-in-law, Alice Pearson, it is alleged, for her money. This, however, only turned out after her death to amount to £38. The woman denies the charges.

Railway Extension.

Second Vice-President Whyte of the C. P. R. left for Montreal last night, taking with him the estimates for the western lines of the system. Larger appropriations will be made for rolling stock and the proposed extension of lines are heavier than last year. Provision is made for heavy rails on the "Soo" line from Portal to Moose Jaw and on the Yorkton section. Many improvements for the main line are proposed, including new stations and larger sidings.

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DID CROCKER OFFEND?

Statement Regarding Interdicting of His Horses at Newmarket.

London, Jan. 11.—A serious scandal promises to develop in racing circles as a result of the Jockey Club's action in interdicting Richard Croker from training horses at Newmarket. The history of the affair, given out by friends of Mr. Croker, is that when at the Newmarket sales in September Mr. Croker appeared as a bidder for certain yearlings he was informed he was opposing Lord Marcus Beresford, who has the entire charge of King Edward's racing stables. This did not deter Mr. Croker, and it was suggested to him that if he insisted in competing he would not be allowed to train his horses at Newmarket.

EXCITED DEPOSITORS.

Run on Bank in New York, Which Began Yesterday, Was Resumed To-Day.

New York, Jan. 11.—Five hundred excited Hebrews, who had deposits in the State bank in Grand street, were at the doors of that bank all night, and early to-day more than a thousand persons were waiting anxiously to withdraw their deposits. The run on the bank, which began yesterday afternoon, was resumed when the doors opened to-day. The trouble began yesterday through a misunderstanding of some small excitable depositors thinking a rush of depositors to place their money in the bank were withdrawing.

HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

Meeting on January 25th to Consecrate Archdeacon Holmes and Select Archbishop.

Winnipeg, Jan. 11.—The House of Bishops meets at Regina on January 25th to consecrate Archdeacon Holmes, as Bishop of Moosonee, and elect either Canon Pentreath or Bishop P. Matheson as Archbishop of Rupert's Land.

The synod of the diocese on the fourth ballot decided on Canon Pentreath, of Vancouver, as the second name to go before the House of Bishops to secure a metropolitan. Canon Pentreath accepted by wire last night.

WILL RESIGN.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 11.—A sensation was caused to-day by a statement that August Herrmann, president of the Cincinnati Club, will resign as chairman of the National baseball commission.

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FOR SALE—Skates, high grade; all sizes. Cheap at 43 Johnson street.

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FOR SALE—First-class Jersey cow and calf, horse, top phaeton and harness, a snap; also 16 well bred laying hens; new top buggy. Apply Fisher's Carriage Shop, Store street.

FOR SALE—Cedar posts. Address Oldfield, Box 406, city.

WANTED—Buyers for second-hand furniture, stoves, heaters, etc.; the cheapest in town. The I X L Second-Hand Store, Store street.

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FURNISHED ROOM TO RENT—Gentleman, in private house; terms moderate. Address K. O., Times Office.

FOR RENT—6 roomed house, 72 Frederick street; splendid condition. Apply next door.

TO LET—Furnished bungalow, Head street, Victoria West; immediate possession. Bungalow, this office.

TO RENT—A cottage on Bay street, Victoria West, facing harbor. Apply to Mrs. Jas. Bland, cor. Mary and Bay.

TO LET—Cottage, 5 rooms and bath, $7 per month. A. Williams, 104 Yates.

TO LET—Boarding house, furnished rooms, first-class table, well recommended. 227 Johnson, cor. Vancouver.

TO LET—Osborne House, Pandora and Blanchard streets; furnished rooms at reasonable rates, per week or per month.

TO LET—Furnished bedroom for gentleman, with use of bath. Gordon Hotel, Yates street.

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Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

SKATES—Hollow ground. Waites Bros., 58 Fort street.

JACOB AARONSON—Dealer in new and second-hand goods, jewellery, shotguns, pistols, tools, bicycles, clothing, boots and shoes, sewing machines, etc. Comedy clothes of all kinds for performers. 64 Johnson street, two doors below Government, Victoria, B. C.

LIVERY AND HACK STABLE—Victoria Transfer Co., 21 Broughton street. Tel. 129. Hacks, baggage wagons, trucks, etc., at any hour.

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AH WING—Fashionable tailor, ladies' and gents' clothes made to order and perfect fit guaranteed. 160 Government street.

SING TAI—Manufacturer and dealer in ladies' silk and cotton underwear, dresses, wrappers, etc. 74 Douglas street, Victoria.

BEST JAPANESE PORCELAIN and fancy goods at Kawai Bros. Co., 86 Douglas St.

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LOST—On Douglas street, a gentleman's umbrella. Reward, Johns Bros.

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PERSONAL.

JOHN WILLIAM FLETCHER REYNOLDS—Missing since 1890; father dead; executors desire location. Geo. Guild, Guilds P. O., Ont., Canada.

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Fine building lots fronting New City Park on Gorge road.

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WANTED—General servant girl for light house work. Apply D., P. O. Box 429, city.

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SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE.
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SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.
Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

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LEE & FRASER,
Real Estate and Insurance Agents, 9 and 11 Trounce Avenue.

GREAT BARGAIN—A good modern bungalow and 2 lots, on Oak Bay Ave., for $2,900.

$1,500—For 5 roomed cottage, James Bay.

$800—Cottage and 3 lots, Tennyson road.

$250—Cottage, 3 rooms, Third street.

$2,800—Bungalow, Stanley Ave.

$475—Cottage, 3 rooms, Lansdowne road.

$2,200—6 roomed 2 story and 2 lots.

$850—1½ story, 5 rooms, First street.

LAMPSON STREET—5 roomed cottage, all newly decorated, electric light, etc., one-fifth of an acre; to rent for $15 per month.

COWICHAN—33 acres, 8 clear, small house, stable, chicken houses, etc.; price $1,400.

SOOKE ROAD—158 acres; price $500.

NORTH PARK STREET—Large lot for $500.

IF YOU WANT A HOUSE, or lots to build, don't fail to see us, for we can suit you; if it's for sale, we have it and can make terms to suit. Farms and farming lands for sale. Money to loan at low rates of interest. Fire and Life Insurance effected in first-class companies.

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FOR SALE—House on Richmond avenue, on terms of $15 per month and four per cent. on balances.

TO LET—Cottage, 10 acres land, orchard, etc., 8 miles from Victoria.

FOR SALE—Two lots on Esquimalt road, within city limits; price $300.

FOR SALE—One of the best farms in Cowichan, well stocked, and at a great bargain; call and see particulars.

FOR SALE—144-acre farm, good house, barns, orchard, 35 acres cleared, water frontage; price $2,000.

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FOR SALE—Five roomed cottage and two lots, near tram line; only $1,000.

FOR SALE—New cottage of five rooms, on car line, all modern conveniences; $2,400; very easy terms.

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FOR SALE—Oak Bay avenue, two story dwelling, fine lot; $1,050; easy terms of purchase.

FOR SALE—Douglas Gardens; the only choice lots on the market. Price and terms on application.

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FOR SALE—Fort street, near Cook street, double front lot, 60x120 feet, fine residential site; price and terms on application.

FOR SALE—James Island, 165 acres, 30 acres cultivated, balance slashed and seeded, well watered, excellent run for sheep or cattle; cottage, barn, stables, sheep sheds, etc.; orchard of 112 trees, principally apples. Price $2,500. This is very cheap.

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FOR SALE—Oak Bay, 3 lots and 5 roomed cottage, nice house, $2,800.

FOR SALE—Four miles from town, 20 acres, of which 12 acres are cultivated, balance light timber, principally oak, orchard of 140 fruit trees in bearing, five roomed cottage, brick dairy, large barn, three wells of excellent water, good roads; price and terms on application.

FOR SALE—Bellott street, east of Cook street, 2 story, with brick foundation, 8 rooms, all modern conveniences, a nice house; on easy terms.

FOR SALE—Pine street, good lot, 55 ft. by 135 ft., no rock; assessed value $240; our price $125.

FOR SALE—Blanchard street, lot 20x60, with two story building in good condition, cheap; would make a good factory.

FOR SALE—James Bay, corner lot, with five roomed dwelling, only $1,800.

FOR SALE—Pandora street, 10 roomed dwelling, all modern conveniences; $2,600.

FOR SALE—Niagara street, on car line, modern bungalow of 7 rooms; $2,500.

FOR SALE—Oak Bay, 2½ acres, 4 roomed house, good soil, city water laid on.

FOR SALE—Lot, 60x120, and 7 roomed house, McClure street; $1,600.

FOR SALE—Cottage and lot, Johnson street; nice home.

FOR SALE—7½ acres and small dwelling, near the exhibition buildings; $500 cash and balance in small monthly payments, no interest.

FOR SALE—Water lot and dwelling, near the new C. P. R. wharf, James Bay; price and terms on application.

FOR SALE—Fort street, near Linden avenue, 10 roomed dwelling, double front lot; well situated for private boarding house.

FOR SALE—Henry street, Victoria West, 3 vacant lots; only $525.

FOR SALE—Esquimalt road, with frontage on beach, ½ acre and 8 roomed house, $2,500; terms.

FOR SALE—Pandora street, lot 60x120, 6 roomed cottage; only $1,150.

FOR SALE—9½ acres, four miles from city; $350.

FOR SALE—240 acres, Lake District, excellent fruit soil, plenty of water; only $5,250.

FOR SALE—Cowichan District, 138 acres, large dwelling, barns, etc., well adapted for a dairy farm, only $6,000; easy terms.

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COURT NORTHERN LIGHT, No. 5935, A. O. F.—Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in each month, K. of P. Hall, Douglas street. S. L. Redgrave, C. R.; W. F. Fullerton, Sec'y.

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Municipal Notice

Municipal Elections, 1905

Public notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said Electors in the Court Room at the City Hall, in the aforesaid City, on Monday, the 9th day of January, 1905, from 12 (noon) to 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Mayor or Aldermen.

The mode of Nomination of Candidates shall be as follows:

The Candidates shall be Nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p. m. of the day of the Nomination, and in event of a poll being necessary such poll will be opened on Thursday, the 12th day of January, 1905, from 9 o'clock a. m. to 7.30 p. m., in the manner following:

For the office of Mayor, in the Court Room of the City Hall aforesaid.

For the office of Alderman for the North Ward, in Room No. 9, at the Public Market Building, Cormorant street.

For the office of Alderman for the Central Ward, in Room No. 7, at the Public Market Building, Cormorant street.

For the office of Alderman for the South Ward, in Room No. 1, at the Public Market Building, Cormorant street, of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The persons qualified to be nominated for and elected as the Mayor of the City of Victoria shall be such persons as are male British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the nomination, registered owner in the Land Registry Office of Land or Real Property in the City of Victoria of the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of One Thousand Dollars or more, over and above any registered incumbrance or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as Municipal voters.

The persons qualified to be nominated for and elected as Alderman of the City of Victoria, shall be such persons as are male British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of Land or Real Property in the City of Victoria of the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of Five Hundred Dollars, or more, over and above any registered incumbrance or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as Municipal voters.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, this 29th day of December, 1904.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Returning Officer.

Municipal Notice

Election of School Trustees

Public notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said Electors in the Court Room at the City Hall, in the aforesaid City, on Monday, the 9th day of January, 1905, from 12 (noon) to 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing Three (3) persons as members of the Board of Trustees for Victoria City School District.

Any person being a householder in the School District, and being a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years, and otherwise qualified by the "Public Schools Act" to vote at an election of School Trustees in the said School District is eligible to be elected or to serve as a School Trustee.

The mode of Nomination of Candidates shall be as follows:

The Candidates shall be Nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p. m. of the day of the Nomination, and in event of a poll being necessary such poll will be opened on Thursday, the 12th day of January, 1905, in the Court Room of the City Hall aforesaid, from 9 a. m. to 7.30 p. m., at which time and place each elector who is duly qualified to vote for Mayor, will be entitled to cast his vote for Three (3) candidates for members of the Board of School Trustees, but may only cast one vote for any such candidate, of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, this 29th day of December, 1904.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Returning Officer.

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Land Registry Act.

In the Matter of an Application for a Duplicate Certificate of Title to Sub-Division No. 10 of Lot 121 A., Victoria City.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof to issue a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above land, issued to Ellen Carroll on the 13th day of May, 1865, and numbered 1353.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., 13th day of December, A. D., 1904.

Silver Band Mining Co., Ld.

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at 74 Wharf street, Victoria, on Wednesday, 8th February, 1905, at 8 p. m.

F. F. HEDGES, Secy.-Treas. E. B. MARVIN, President.

Victoria, 7th January, 1905.

NOTICE.

All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company within that tract of land bounded on the south by the south boundary of Comox District, on the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel and on the west by the boundary of the E. & N. Railway Land Grant.

LEONARD H. SOLLY,
Land Commissioner.

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LOCAL MERCHANTS GAVE THEIR VIEWS

ASSESSMENT WORKED HARDSHIPS ON THEM

Board of Trade Committee Appeared Before Commission—A. C. Galt, of Rossland, on Mineral Tax.

Yesterday afternoon the assessment commission heard the views of the mercantile interests of Victoria on the existing scheme of taxation.

Before the arrival of the delegation from the Victoria Board of Trade, A. C. Galt, of Rossland, was asked to begin his argument against the 2 per cent. mineral tax. He said that he understood that the 2 per cent. tax was not to come up before the commission.

Chairman Carter-Cotton said that it would not be contained in the report, but that the commission would like to hear his views.

Mr. Galt said that he had not been given any instructions with respect to this by the Provincial Mining Association.

The board of trade committee appearing, Mr. Galt gave way to them. The committee consisted of Col. Prior, L. Pither, J. M. Lawson, sr., C. F. Todd, F. A. Pauline, C. Spencer and Secretary Elworthy.

Col. Prior, as chairman, said that the committee represented the Board of trade. There was a good deal of opposition to the assessment, especially by business men. This was true particularly, as it assessed liabilities.

Removed as the business men were out here from the manufacturing centres, they were forced to carry a very much larger stock than in the East in comparison with the business done. Giving instances it was shown that the taxation of merchants was from 11 times or more greater than the person who invested his money.

The committee favored cutting down the tax one half, and only the net values of goods less the liabilities should be assessed. The committee also favored taking the tax off commercial agents imposed by the municipalities, and have it collected by the province.

C. F. Todd said that the committee represented only the mercantile interests. They were not pretending to speak for the manufacturers, the lumber men or others. The grievances were not to be understood to be exhausted. The merchants recognized that taxation might have to be increased, but they thought that the mercantile class was taxed out of proportion to the professional men, or those who lived on their income from investments. The net worth of a merchant might only be $25,000, yet he would be called upon to pay on $50,000, which represented his stock. This was due to liabilities and book debts being taxed.

Col. Prior added that this taxation pressed very severely. He pointed out that his representatives were forced to pay a tax in each municipality in which business was done. It was proposed to cut this off and impose a provincial tax.

Chairman Carter-Cotton said that this was not a new difficulty. It was a questionable point, and had been debated in the House, namely, the right of municipalities to impose a tax as well. The exemption of liabilities, he said, might work out to put a premium upon carrying on business with small capital and speculating.

Mr. Todd pointed out that the man with small capital would have to pay interest on money borrowed from the bank, which really became a tax.

Chairman Carter-Cotton said that this was provided he borrowed the money.

Mr. Todd said that the money had to be obtained. There was practically no long credits at the present time. Collections were made in most of cases in less than 30 days. He further added that wholesale merchants were taxed on their stock and on the liability for goods sold on credit to a retail merchant. Then the assessor taxed the stock held by the retail merchant.

Hon. R. G. Tatlow pointed out that if a man invested in real estate instead of goods he would have to pay on the liability if outside a municipality. If a property were bought for $100,000 and a $75,000 mortgage given, the assessment would be for the whole $100,000.

Mr. Todd alluded to the fact that the merchant should not be made to pay such a widely different amount to that of men who derived their income from investing their money.

Chairman Carter-Cotton said that the banks or holders of mortgages also paid an additional tax on the money.

Mr. Huntzen, by illustration, contended that the assessing of the net worth might in some instance work an equal hardship.

"How will we deal with the real estate men then?" asked Chairman Carter-Cotton.

"They'll have to look out for themselves," replied Mr. Todd.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow said that the principle on which the government proceeded was to deal with real estate and personal property on similar conditions.

C. Spencer said that the real estate outside of municipalities was a greater charge upon the government than the personal property in municipalities, owing to the cost of protecting it, etc.

Chairman Carter-Cotton said that in the municipalities the government lost the taxes on real estate.

In the course of the discussion which followed, Hon. R. G. Tatlow said that the total amount of the taxation was only 25 per cent. of the total revenue of the province. It could not, therefore, be said to be excessive in the total, whatever might be said respecting individual cases.

In answer to Mr. Todd, Hon. Mr. Tatlow said that the taxes from personal property last year were $90,384, and this year would be $197,092.

Col. Prior wanted to know if they could make taxation on income alone in all instances.

It was agreed that there were great difficulties in the way of this.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow asked for a suggestion as to dealing with commission merchants who did not carry a stock, and who entered into competition with merchants who carried a large stock.

Col. Prior and others thought that these should be taxed as in the Northwest, by a fixed license.

Mr. Pauline said that it was eminently unfair to tax a man on what he did not possess. It was therefore considered wise to recommend the assessment of the net value. A rate of ½ per cent. was considered all that a merchant should be called to pay in view of the state of trade.

Mr. Lawson pointed out some of the hardships in assessing book debts.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow instanced the case of the butcher who had a very small stock on hand, and whose book debts represented the main state of his business.

Mr. Pithed wanted the tax enforced against sellers of liquors, who came into the province. This was never enforced, and worked a disadvantage to local dealers. In the Northwest Territories such a license was collected.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow said that it had been found difficult to get evidence in the enforcing of the act, and asked Mr. McKilligan to more fully explain this.

The latter said that on the request of Turner, Beeton & Co., as to the working of the act, he had found that the police officers had found it impossible to get a conviction. It was necessary to prove the making of a contract in order to convict, and it was found that the contract would be completed in Montreal perhaps.

Mr. Pither thought that it might be overcome by the department writing to reputable firms doing business from outside and informing them that their travellers would be called upon to pay the license.

Before leaving, Col. Prior suggested that if no other redress could be got that the book debts should be taken off in making the assessment.

Mr. Todd approved of the appointment of a commission by the government.

Chairman Carter-Cotton said that the government sought to equalize the taxation as far as possible. It was necessary to bring the revenues up to the expenditure. This had been done. He would have preferred that the commission should not have sat until towards the end of next year. There was an agitation, however, in favor of the sitting now, and the commission had been appointed. Further, the chairman alluded to the fact that next year there would be the cutting off of the revenue from the Chinese head tax. There would also be increased expenditures on public works.

"Don't make too many pledges," suggested Col. Prior.

The committee retired, and Mr. Galt resumed his arguments against the 2 per cent. tax. Reading a review of the situation, he pointed out that up to 1896 the taxation of mines was as real estate. It was then that the system was altered and a tax imposed upon the output of the mines. Up to that time the mines in operation were largely high grade properties. The tax worked against low grade ores. It became prohibitive as the grade got low. Referring to the acquiescence of Messrs. White and Cavanaugh with the working of the tax, he said it might be that in certain instances this tax did not work oppressively, but this was not the case with really low grade ores. In 1898 there were about 29 mines paying dividends. These had been reduced to a very small number now.

With reference to a substitute for the 2 per cent. tax, Mr. Galt suggested: First, the reduction to 1 per cent. as at first. Second, abolish the mineral tax altogether. The indirect profit in renewed activity in mining would recompense this. Third, the levying of a tax on the net annual income. Fourth, the collection of a uniform tax of $10 on all claims. In support of this Mr. Galt pointed out that instead of the assessment work being put at $100, it might better be $50. Then the amount would be paid rather than the practical wasting of the money in having the work done on the claim. Fifth, amend the law to exempt pay roll from tax. Sixth, abolish the mineral tax and adopt Australasian form of tax on mineral lands.

Mines paid indirectly an enormous taxation. Rossland existed by the mines there. All the taxes paid there were practically paid by the mines there. The War Eagle and Centre Star took about $4,000 a day out of the mines, and but a very small portion of that found its way to the shareholders in dividends. He personally approved of removing taxation altogether from the mines.

Chairman Carter-Cotton wanted to know if a lumber company did not in the same way pay the taxes.

Mr. Galt thought it might very likely be true, but the lumber man was able to tell exactly what was going to be produced, while the mining investor could not tell what the property was going to produce.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow suggested a difficulty in removing taxation from mines, inasmuch as coal properties would have to be relieved also.

Mr. Galt said that coal mines were in a much different position to quartz mines. A coal miner knew pretty well what he was going to get when his property was opened out. The quartz miner was never in a position to tell when his ore would give out.

Incidentally during the discussion the question of the taxation of mining in Colorado came up. Mr. Galt said that for the first ten years of mining operations in that state the industry had been free from taxation. To that fact was attributed the premier position of that state as far as mining was concerned.

The commission thanked Mr. Galt for giving his views.

The commission then adjourned until 10 this morning.

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TRUSTEES MEETING.

School Board Met Last Evening and Transacted Necessary Business.

The school board met last evening. J. D. Gillis thanked the board for having granted him leave of absence. The janitor of Spring Ridge school tendered his resignation because he could not satisfy the teachers. The resignation was accepted.

Dr. Garesche complained of annoyance caused by schoolboys tossing stones to induce his dogs to bark. This was referred to the buildings and grounds committee.

F. M. Rattenbury, architect, presented a bill for $116 of a balance due him. This was left over for the incoming board.

A. L. Belyea, K.C., was thanked for the presentation of a set of the Encyclopedia Britannica to the High school.

E. C. Harris offered a lot to the board for $1,050. It adjoins the Kingston street school. This was referred to the incoming board.

A committee was appointed to take up the subject of new conditions for the Hibben cup.

At the conclusion of the business the members of the board present in turn expressed their regret at Trustee Hall retiring from the board.

In reply, Dr. Hall said that were he elected to the council he would do all he could to assist the school board, while conserving the interests of other bodies.

The board then adjourned.

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5.00 Ones	3.50
4.00 Ones	2.50

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For Alderman

To the Electors of North Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I am a candidate for the Aldermanic Board, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence.

W. F. FULLERTON.

To the Electors of North Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Alderman at the forthcoming election, and most respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

JOHN KINSMAN.

To the Electors of North Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for Alderman for above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

ROBT. DINSDALE.

To the Electors of North Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—Having decided to become a candidate for Alderman for North Ward, I beg to solicit your vote and influence in the coming election.

Yours respectfully,

GEO. PENKETH.

Electors of North Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I have consented to become an aldermanic candidate for your district, principally on account of the Indian reserve and waterworks questions.

Respectfully yours,

W. J. HANNA.

To the Electors of North Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I am a candidate for Alderman for above Ward, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence.

J. L. BECKWITH.

To the Electors of North Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—At the earnest request of a number of the electors, I have decided to allow my name to go before you as a candidate for Alderman in the above Ward, and would respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

Yours respectfully,

LEWIS HALL.

For Alderman

To the Electors of Central Ward

Ladies and Gentlemen:—I would respectfully solicit your vote and influence at the forthcoming municipal election.

H. E. LEVY.

For Alderman

To the Electors of Central Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I beg most respectfully to solicit your vote and influence at the forthcoming municipal election.

E. H. ANDERSON.

To the Electors of Central Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for Alderman for above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

A. STEWART.

For Alderman

To the Electors of Central Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—Your vote and influence are kindly solicited on my behalf at the forthcoming municipal election.

HARDRESS CLARKE.

To the Electors of Central Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I beg to announce that I am a candidate for Alderman for above Ward, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence.

J. P. ELFORD.

To the Electors of Central Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I would respectfully solicit your vote and influence at the forthcoming municipal election.

LAWRENCE GOODACRE.

To the Electors of Central Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Alderman at the forthcoming election, and most respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

L. J. QUAGLIOTTI.

For Alderman

To the Electors of South Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—Your vote and influence are kindly solicited on my behalf at the forthcoming municipal election.

JAMES A. DOUGLAS.

To the Electors of South Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Alderman at the forthcoming election. I hope to be favored with a continuance of your confidence.

B. S. ODDY.

To the Electors of South Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for Alderman for above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

F. W. VINCENT.

January 4th, 1905.

To the Electors of South Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I beg to place my name before you as a candidate for above Ward at the ensuing municipal election, and respectfully ask a continuance of your support and influence,

Yours, etc.,

THORNTON FELL.

January 4th, 1904.

To the Electors of Victoria City

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—At the request of a number of electors, I have decided to be a candidate in the approaching election of School Trustees, and hereby respectfully solicit your votes and influence.

A. E. BOLTON.

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LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I beg to announce that I will be a candidate at the election for

School Trustee

And respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

WM. M'KAY.

SCHOOL TRUSTEE

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I have consented to become a candidate for School Trustee, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

P. J. RIDDELL.

SCHOOL TRUSTEE

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I beg to announce myself a candidate for election for School Trustee.

GEO. JAY.

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PROVINCES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

There is likelihood of a measure being introduced at the present session of the Dominion Parliament erecting all the territories into self-governing provinces. Premier Haultain of what is now known as the Northwest Territories insists that the people he represents are eager to take upon themselves the full responsibility of the management of their vast estate, and the federal government is disposed to agree to their wishes.

There can be no special advantage to the Dominion in the continuance of the present non-autonomous relationship. Certainly the control of the public lands does not compensate the federal authorities for the additional responsibilities they are under in the territories as compared with the self-governing provinces.

The chief difficulty that will confront the government will be that of satisfying the aspirations of all the parties concerned. Under any circumstances the mistake of circumscribing boundaries and creating too many new provinces, with all the expensive machinery of government, will not be made.

Manitoba is anxious to add a large slice of territory to her present domain, which is admitted to be too small.

Ontario will not object to the incorporation of the great region northwest and west of her present boundaries within her estate.

Quebec is quite willing to establish her dominion as far north as the foot of man is ever likely to go.

The terror of the cost of developing and governing these wilds does not paralyze the souls of the rulers of any of the eastern provinces. It is only when we come West and inquire into the sentiments of those who sit in state across James Bay (when they are not on private business or pleasure bent, which is seldom) that we are met with uplifted, deprecating hands.

It has been suggested that perhaps British Columbia would be pleased to accept the Yukon as part of its provincial inheritance and thus simplify the task of dividing Eastern Canada into provinces. But we are told that British Columbia is already embarrassed by the extent of her possessions. The McBride government is not equal to its present responsibilities. The federal government is going to thrust more trouble upon it by building a new transcontinental railway and bringing thousands more people in, who will of course be subject to taxation like the rest of us, but, also like the rest of us, they will demand more conveniences than there will be money left to pay for after the salaries and expenses of the ministers and their friends have been set aside. Therefore, no more territory for us. Give the Yukon to Haultain, or any prairie Premier who wants it, and let him find out what it costs to govern an expansive province. There is little doubt that some one of these eastern optimists will shoulder the burden and rejoice at his good fortune. It will scarcely be believed that Mr. Haultain has offered to carry a new province into the Dominion upon precisely the same terms as those granted to British Columbia, and under which she has done so ill.

PARLIAMENT AND PARTIES.

The Conservative party of Canada, notwithstanding the demands of certain prominent politicians and newspapers that a new chief shall be chosen, has affirmed its belief that the fact of Mr. Borden being a political outcast from his native province constitutes no sound reason why it should withdraw its confidence from him as leader. Mr. Borden will therefore shake the dust of Nova Scotia from his political shoes, establish a domicile in Ontario and continue to act as the titular leader of the great Conservative party.

This intimation will be received with general satisfaction in Canada. The dismal failure of the opposition should not be ascribed to any particular personal defect in Mr. Borden. He has had many untoward influences to contend with. The faction in Montreal which has constituted itself the head centre of Tory influence and previous to each general election floods the country with debasing and demoralizing appeals to passion, prejudice and sordidity, has been the bane of Conservatism and a source of deplorable demoralization upon all circles to which it succeeds in extending its influence. Mr. Borden recognized this, he publicly announced that he would not be responsible for any promises made to corporations from which funds were extracted in return for pledges of privileges to be conferred when the forces of corruption triumphed, but he was utterly unable to take an independent stand and to order his would-be ministering angels to the rear. To the remnants that remained after one of the most complete routs that has ever been inflicted upon a political army in Canada, the leader dictated the terms upon which he would consent to remain at the head of the disorganization. He will not submit to the domination of any faction within the party. The policy of government ownership of the transcontinental railway was forced upon him against the dictates of his judgment by a strenuous faction. He will not be placed in such a position again. He could not publicly dissociate himself from the Graham gang in Montreal which carried the bag, because it possessed the sinews in which the strength of the Conservative party from the beginning of its history in Canada has lain. Now he has had an opportunity to assert his independence, and he will not be forced to impale himself upon either the one horn of certain defeat or the other horn of acceptance of the services of the organization he in his heart despises.

But Mr. R. L. Borden does not possess the strength necessary to stick to his good resolutions. The dominating influences will master him again. If he survives the intrigues of the smooth but ambitious Foster and the perhaps less dangerous but avowed antagonism of Maclean, he will take the field at the next general election under precisely the auspices he lately contemned.

In the meantime Mr. George E. Foster will lead the party in the Parliament regularly assembled for the first time today. There is a strong probability that the session will be a short one. The country is prosperous and its prospects bright. There is no urgent necessity for any radical changes in the tariff or for any particularly startling departure from the general policy of development which has been pursued during the past seven years. We take it that both the great political divisions are desirous of a span of time for rest and reflection after the arduous campaign that has just been fought. The government party is in good form, and will be found ready to meet any assaults that may be made upon it. Some weeks must elapse before the leader of the Conservative party can obtain a seat in the House. Organization cannot be completed and a plan of campaign inaugurated until he takes his place at the head of the opposition force in the Legislature. By that time the House should be well on in its legislative programme unless the leader pro tem. should elect to pursue a spectacular course for the purpose of convincing the party that it made a serious mistake when it passed him over and selected the other refugee from the East.

A few days ago the police authorities of British Columbia and Washington worked a little game that circumvented international law and the proverbial delays incidental thereto. The Seattle Post-Intelligencer thus explains how it was done: "A little train manoeuvre at Blaine saved the province of British Columbia some considerable delay and expense in securing a man wanted over there on a criminal charge. He was in the custody of a Blaine constable and on his way to the county jail to await extradition, when the train chanced to back across the boundary line, which is only 700 feet north of the Blaine station, British Columbia officials came aboard and rearrested the prisoner and at once relieved the American constable of his charge. That was an easy and a successful evasion of extradition. The transfer of the train to British territory transferred authority to British officers. They were on hand and exercised it. No international complications will result." It is generally conceded that reciprocity between the United States and Canada would have a stimulating effect upon trade. Reciprocity in criminals would have a contrary effect upon the trade of the outlaws of society, and we do not see that a little irregularity now and then would be an altogether evil thing for the law-observing communities which are constantly at war with social parasites.

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Let those Victorians who have been shivering in a minimum temperature of 30 degrees take heart of grace and shed their bearskins. There are indications that the "cold snap" is nearly at an end. The probabilities are that to-morrow we shall have entered our normal winter zone of 50 degrees.

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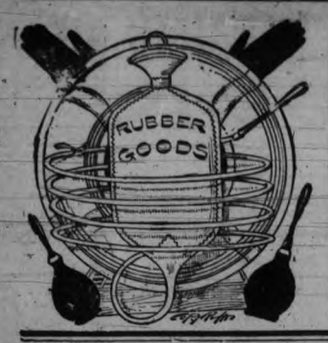

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Notice is hereby given that, under and pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1886, Chapters 36 and 92, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria has applied to the Governor-General in Council for the grant of a portion of the foreshore on the northeast of Rock Bay, in Victoria Harbor.

A plan of the said foreshore and of the works and improvements proposed and a description by metes and bounds of the proposed sites of the same have been deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and a duplicate thereof has been deposited in the Land Registry Office at Victoria aforesaid.

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—Architect J. C. M. Keith has prepared plans for a very pretty cottage to be erected on the corner of Gorge road and Washington avenue for Alfred Wood. The building is a bungalow, and the contract price will be about $10,000. It will be a stone structure.

—Yesterday afternoon the funeral of the late Wm. Keeler took place at 2.30 o'clock from the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Parlors, Government street. His Lordship Bishop Perrin conducted appropriate services. Members of the Home for the Aged and Infirm attended in a body.

—The funeral of the late Miss Lena Tolputt took place yesterday afternoon from the family residence, Princess avenue, there being a large attendance of sympathizing friends. Services were conducted at St. Barnabas's church by Rev. E. G. Miller, and the following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: Masters A. Jones, A. Mutlow, O. Barton, E. Jeeves.

—As mentioned in another column basketball matches will be played this evening between the Fernwood and Y. M. C. A. intermediate and junior teams at the Y. M. C. A. hall. Appended is the personnel of the latter teams: Intermediate—Guards, Roskamp (captain) and Matthews; centre, Gawley; forwards, Mulcahy and Somers. Junior—Guards, Finch and Jones; centre, Nute; forwards, Somers and McKittrick (captain.)

—A lecture was delivered by E. O. S. Scholefield, the provincial librarian, last evening at St. Andrew's church under the auspices of the Young People's Guild. The chair was occupied by His Honor Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere, who introduced the speaker with a few appropriate words. Mr. Scholefield took for his subject early explorations of the Spaniards along the coast of North America. His remarks were listened to with interest by those present.

—The Grand theatre on Johnson street is attracting large crowds nightly, the principal drawing card being the wonderful sword swallowing act of Mlle. Clifford. Another strong act and one which affords a feast of merriment is that of O'Brien and West, comedians. The Misses Curtis in operatic selections and Mr. and Mrs. Morrell in the comedy sketch, "Home Troubles," also add largely to the entertainment. Mr. Roberts sings the illustrated song, "There's a Mother Always Waiting You at Home, Sweet Home." The moving pictures representing incidents in the war between Japan and Russia are very good, and especially interesting to the Japanese, by whom the gallery is crowded nightly.

—This evening the comedians Williams and Walker and company will present "In Dahomey." Jesse A. Shipp and Will Marion Cook, the authors of the original "coon opera," "In Dahomey," have prepared an entire new version, entitled in the new "In Dahomey" for this, the first American tour of Williams and Walker after their European triumph, and is said to be very tuneful. Some of the concerted choruses and musical numbers are quite grand operatic, and of the fun and humor there is abundant, irresistibly refined and innocent, guaranteed to amuse and produce numerous laughs without leaving a bad taste in your mouth. The stage effects of the new production imitate tropical Africa, surrounding a real King's palace in Dahomey, which adds a realistic charm to the music and comedy and a fitting background to the atmosphere created by these delightful entertainers.

IS RUSSIAN SPY OPERATING HERE?

MYSTERIOUS PERSON UNDER SURVEILLANCE

Secret Service Agents Said to Have Located Him—Reports Movements of Ships.

The Times was informed last evening, on seemingly good authority, that there has been in this city for some time a representative who has been acting in the interests of the Russian consul in Seattle. His duty has been to watch outgoing steamers and to report on the character of the cargoes Russia has been regarding as contraband.

The Times informant states that he no sooner landed in this city than he received a telegram advising him to be on the look out for such a man. The line of work he followed, apart from spying, was mentioned, and other particulars were furnished which aided materially in locating the Russian representative. Detectives were put on his trail, and the whole spy's movements were duly noted.

How long this Russian agent has been employed in the services of the Russian consul is not known. It is a fact, however, that he has been in Victoria from about the time war began. He has been living in apparently every comfort, and has boasted of a large income, although in this respect he has been always more or less of a mystery.

If the Times informant is correct, and the man in question has been run down by detectives as a Russian spy, it would be interesting to know what part he played in supplying intelligence which led to the capture of certain trans-Pacific liners, notably the Blue Funnel liner Calchas, which, it will be remembered, loaded cargo at this port before sailing for Japan, and there were other ships which loaded here which had very narrow escapes from being captured.

It was also not to be wondered at that the officers of the Kanagawa Maru when they left outward bound a few months ago, were somewhat alarmed about ever reaching their destination in safety, for they had on board, according to report, a number of sub-marine craft which would have rendered the steamer a valuable prize for the Russian cruisers.

Whether the officers of this Japanese ship were aware of a spy's presence in Victoria and were apprehensive that news of the Kanagawa's cargo would be conveyed to the Russian government and in turn transmitted to the vessels at Vladivostock, can only be surmised. However, the vessel lost no time on the voyage to Japan, and her crew breathed a deep sigh of relief when the cargo was safely landed and they realized that all danger was over.

Needless to say the spy's movements in future will be closely watched, although since the destruction of the fleet at Port Arthur his usefulness here has to a great extent been impaired. The best work he can now do is to keep the Russian consul informed as to what is shipped from Canadian ports. When it is remembered that Vancouver Island possesses coal mines convenient to the scene of war, and that Victoria is the gateway to the Dominion on this coast, and that therefore nearly all Pacific liners touch here in going and coming from the Orient, it is not at all surprising to know that Russia has had her agents here from the time the war broke out.

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The decision rendered yesterday by the Full court in Centre Star Co. vs. Rossland Miners' Union et al., settles an important point of practice. The application, out of which the appeal arose, was an ordinary summons in the action asking that the defendants' solicitors, who of course are not parties to the action, deliver up the property in question, or its value, to be dealt with under the plaintiffs' execution. The defendants' solicitors contended that they were not liable to be thus called upon summarily, but the plaintiffs were bound to bring another action against them to enforce any such claim. Mr. Justice Irving decided this point in favor of the solicitors. The Full court, however, holds that solicitors are liable to be dealt with summarily in any action in which they are engaged.

The appeal in Richards vs. Williams was dismissed with costs, Mr. Justice Morrison dissenting. W. J. Taylor, K. C., appeared for the plaintiff (appellant) and W. E. Oliver for defendant (respondent). The case of Brown vs. Spruce Creek Power Co. was resumed this morning, and when court arose it had not been completed. It will be continued this afternoon.

—G. J. Johnson, formerly a member of the provincial police force, has purchased a partnership in the livery stable business of J. H. Ferguson, Douglas street.

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—Steamer Tartar arrived at Hongkong to-day.

—Thieves entered a bakery on Fort street, just above Douglas, some time during last night and made off with a large quantity of cakes and confectionery.

—A whist tournament will commence this evening among members of the James Bay Athletic Association at the club rooms. All those who have signified their intention to participate are asked to attend.

—Yesterday at St. Thomas, Ont., Dr. W. H. Moody, of Vancouver, a native son of Victoria, and Miss Irene Hawkins, a resident of the former city, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. Dr. and Mrs. Moody will make their home in Vancouver.

—On Wednesday evening next the Eagles of Ladysmith will hold an open social session which will be attended by a large number of the Victoria fraternity The latter will run an "Old Hat Excursion," when each Eagle of this city who makes the trip will have to wear an old hat.

—A number of skaters visited Colwood Park yesterday afternoon and report the ice to be in splendid condition, being about five inches thick and as smooth as glass. A special train has been arranged by the E. & N. railway, leaving their depot here at 7 o'clock to-night, and leaving Langford at 10.15. The fare for the round trip is only 35 cents, which also includes admission to the ice.

—Skaters, expert and tyro, are advised to satisfy themselves of the thickness of the ice at the various resorts before they start out on their whirling tours. Last night Ernest Bishop, of the C. P. R. telegraph staff, while skating at Beacon Hill, fell through the thin ice and was cut about the face and legs. Fortunately he was able to crawl ashore without assistance. There were about a dozen boys on the ice at the time.

—Capt. Orland Cullen, the inventor of the ball-bearing guns which were used in the taking of Port Arthur, is still in the city. Since his arrival he has been very busy. In conversation with a Times representative yesterday he stated that he expected before long to transact considerable mercantile business in Victoria. For the present the captain is not prepared to announce his plans. He will be here for a number of days yet, and when he leaves a representative will be appointed here to look after his interests.

—Robert Clarke has been appointed by the provincial government to the position in the printing office vacated by K. A. S. Scholefield. While the latter was in charge of the printing office during Col. Wolfenden's absence on leave he ordered supplies of stationery, etc., for the year. In doing so the supply of pencils, rubber bands, etc., was purchased from a Vancouver firm, and was considerably in excess of that of former years. It is contended that Mr. Scholefield's judgment was at fault, and he was suspended. Later the government confirmed this, and his place has been filled by Robt. Clarke.

—A criticism that may be worth reading in view of the proximity of the Jeffersons' performance of the "Rivals" is as follows: "One cannot witness a presentation of the old standard British dramas by a really standard company without drawing a comparison that isn't quite to the advantage of modern plays. Richard Brinsley Sheridan's comedies, for example, compare with the average so-called comedy of the latter day about as the poetry of Byron and Tennyson does with that of—well, it is hardly worth while to call names. There are few habitues of the playhouse who have not seen "The Rivals" many times, for it is a comedy that many actors like to play, and one which Joseph Jefferson has produced hundreds of times within the memory of the present generation. There was an unctious humor to his performance that is seldom seen, and altogether it was one of the best if not the very best comedy presentations that has been seen on the local stage."

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FRIDAY BARGAINS

The liberal values we have been giving this week have brought heaps of trade, and we're so well pleased that we're going to keep up the enthusiasm for a few days longer. That is why this bargain list for Friday, will make such interesting reading for shoppers. The prices represent bigger money's worth than we usually give on Fridays.

Millinery Sale

Misses' Ready-to-Wear Hats; worth up to $3.25 each. Your choice on FRIDAY for.. 50c

Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Hats, including the new Envelope Hat; worth up to $5.50 each. Your choice on FRIDAY... $1.00

Wings and Quills; worth up to 50c. FRIDAY..... 10c

Children's Cloth Tams, Regular 25c. each. FRIDAY.. 10c

Sale of Furs

Ladies' Black Coney Fur Ruff with 4 tails. Regular 90c. each. FRIDAY 50c

Ladies' Black Coney Fur Ruff, extra long, with 4 tails. Regular value $1.25 each. FRIDAY 75c

High-Class Fur Collarettes Mercilessly Reduced

Real Persian Lamb Cape Collarette, richly trimmed with Alaska Sable. FRIDAY $20.00
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60x72 Wadded Quilts, Regular Value $1.40. Friday 90c

Sale of Dress Skirts

Ladies' Black Cheviot Walking Skirts, trimmed with black strappings. Regular value $2.75. FRIDAY $1.75

High-Class Dress Skirts, made in heavy black and navy box cloth, handsomely trimmed with silk strappings. Regular values $8.25 to $13.00. FRIDAY $5.00

Sale of Children's Coats and Dresses

Children's White Bearskin Coats; worth up to $6.50 each. FRIDAY $3.00

Children's Silk and Cashmere Dresses, lace trimmed, sizes 2 to 5 years; worth up to $4.00. Your choice on FRIDAY..... $1.75

Full Bleached Table Linen on Friday 25c Yard

Sale of Veils

Ladies' New Chiffon Veils, hemstitched and embroidered, plain or fancy; worth up to $1.85. FRIDAY 75c

Tulle and Chiffon

Plain Colored Tulle Net and Chiffon; worth up to 35c. a yard. FRIDAY 15c

Sale of Cashmere Tea Gowns

Ladies' Fine Cashmere Tea Gowns, beautifully trimmed with lace; worth up to $10.00 each. FRIDAY $3.50

Wool Shawls

Ladies' Fancy Hand-Knitted Wool Fascinators, with chenille trimming; worth up to $1.25. FRIDAY 50c

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ASPIRING CANDIDATES MAKE USUAL PLEDGES

Gathering Was Very Apathetic—Ald. Stewart Gives Status of Various Questions.

That wonderful apathy, which has characterized the municipal campaign since the beginning, was a distinguished feature of the municipal meeting in the city hall last evening. There was just enough applause to encourage the speakers to expect more, and they all reeled off the usual anti-election pledges. A wild sensation was threatened by a statement that the council last year had built a three hundred foot roadway at a brickyard in which Ald. Elford was interested. Just before the meeting was closed, however, Ald. Beckwith said he had been informed that Ald. Elford had purchased the rock from the provincial jail, hired the teams and paid for the work himself.

By long odds the speech of Ald. Stewart was the most interesting to the public, because in it he defined the position of the council on the different important matters under consideration. Ex-Mayor Redfern occupied the chair.

In view of the fact that the candidates for North Ward and school trustee have already had their fling, only the speeches of those who had not spoken in public until last evening are given here.

Ald. Fell, the first speaker, denied that the council had been extravagant or had held star chamber sessions. No man could impeach the integrity of any member of the board of 1904. Victoria was never in a cleaner condition than it was to-day, and no better work such as permanent sidewalks had ever been done before.

Many delapidated shacks—eyesores to the city—had been removed, and new buildings had taken their places. The speaker then alluded to the unfortunate condition of the Old Men's Home, and said that he had secured the introduction of a by-law providing for a new building—a measure which would receive the verdict of the people to-morrow. He hoped it would be endorsed.

Regarding the closing of Rock Bay bridge Ald. Fell explained the circumstances leading up to its closing and the construction of the substantial new causeway. The bridge was rotten when it was closed, and the city was to be congratulated on its immunity from accident there. It would be up to the public to decide whether a new bridge should be built. His own view was that a foot traffic structure should be constructed in the old locality—Constance street.

School accommodation should be provided in North Ward, and he had also advocated that this district should have a park above the bridge as soon as the reserve question was settled.

More machinery was wanted before more electric lights could be installed, and this meant more revenue.

As to Victoria West, the citizens should get together and determine which of the several surveys they decided to follow. Until this was done the city could not construct sidewalks and other works there.

T. I. Worthington—"Mr. Fell, if you are elected will you favor proceeding with the Birdcage Walk extension at once?"

Ald. Fell—"Yes. The by-law has been passed and the work will be carried out at once."

Another gentleman—"Do you consider that the revenue of the city is in such a state that the ratepayers must pay $5,700 for the Old Men's Home loan? That is what it will cost in twenty years."

Ald. Fell—"The increase on taxation resultant from this loan will be only 10 cents in $1,500."

Ald. Vincent was called upon, but was not present.

Ald. Oddy, the next speaker, claimed that he had fulfilled the three promises made by him in the last election. Regarding the Birdcage Walk extension he couldn't see why he should bear the onus for this legislation on the part of the council. He wasn't the autocrat of the board, a majority of whom had passed the by-law. The speaker then went into the proposed work and described it as a desirable improvement. The general record of the council was creditable. The city's representatives did their duty fairly and conscientiously. He had been chairman of the fire wardens for the year, and although a periodical had criticised the fire department some time ago, he assured the public that the brigade was in a position to cope with any fire.

Ald. Goodacre wasn't present, but Ald. Stewart was on deck with all his pristine vigor. He devoted himself to replying to criticisms directed against the council for the past year. Regarding the cost of permanent sidewalks he quoted figures to show that Victoria could discount Seattle. In the latter place cement cost $2.25 per barrel, while in this city it cost $1 more. In Seattle they were laid 4 inches thick; in Victoria they were 6 inches thick. In Seattle the men worked 10 hours a day, while in Victoria they worked 8 hours. In this city grading and filling were included in the cost of the sidewalk, but in Seattle they were not so included.

The speaker then gave the cost per superficial foot of some of the permanent sidewalks laid.

As to star chamber sessions he said he never would have anything to do with this method of conducting public business.

Ald. Stewart then proceeded to explain the status of the council's negotiations with the Victoria Terminal Railway Company. The company, the council claimed, had not earned the bonus stipulated in the contract. But they received certain concessions, such as free use of the streets and a lease of the market building for 25 years at $100 per year. The council expected something in return for these concessions. They, therefore, made two propositions to the company. One was for them to buy the market building for $100,000, and the other to relieve the council of the guarantee of the $9,000 per annum interest on the bonds of the Victoria & Sidney railroad. J. D. Farrell, of the Great Northern, said they would think the matter over. Subsequently he had informed the Mayor that nothing would be done until Mr. Hendry returned. But the matter would have to come before the ratepayers in any event, no matter whether it was dealt with in public or private. He didn't think it advisable that the council should show their hands to the other side on questions of this kind.

As to the water question the council had been advised by legal men that the city had certain prior rights to the Goldstream water, but what these were could only be settled by a long course of litigation. The city agreed to sell water to the tramway company if it secured rights to the water. The council were arranging to have a competent expert report on this matter, and then it would be placed before the ratepayers.

As to the Indian reserve question he said that nobody was more anxious to see it settled than he was.

In reply to Mr. Worthington the speaker said he was in favor of proceeding with the extension of Birdcage Walk at once.

Jas. Douglas thanked the electors for the splendid vote they gave him last year—as he only then lost by three votes. He was a large property owner, his interests were centered here, and he wanted to see Victoria go ahead. He thought that every alderman should manifest as much interest in the city as a whole as he did in the particular ward he represented.

When asked if he would favor the opening of Birdcage Walk at once if he were elected, he flatfootedly replied that he would not. He opposed it on sentimental grounds—out of consideration for an aged woman, who was highly respected in the city, and also because he thought Douglas street should first be completed.

H. E. Levy said that if elected he would do the best he could for H. E. Levy, and in so doing he would do the best he could for the city. He was the largest individual householder in British Columbia, all his interests were centered here, and if Victoria sank he would sink with it. The affairs of this city had not been conducted in a businesslike manner in the past. There had been extravagance, and he advocated strict economy in all public improvements. He also believed in continuity of office—three year terms being the rule.

He also opposed star chamber sessions, which he believed had been held. He was informed that all business was first considered in private session down stairs before coming before the public session. It was too much of a "you tickle me; I'll tickle you proposition."

He advocated the abolition of the ward system. If this were not possible a better division of wards should be adopted. He accused the aldermen candidates of stealing some of the thunder contained in a circular issued by him a week ago with relation to Rock Bay bridge. The city wanted aggressive men, and he was one. He would apply the same care to the transaction of the city's business as he did his own.

Mr. Levy said that if he was defeated the city would not know how good an alderman was lost. He was in favor of the immediate prosecution of Birdcage Walk extension.

Speeches were also delivered by Ald. Beckwith, Dr. Lewis Hall, Robt. Dinsdale, Geo. Penketh, W. J. Hanna, candidates for North Ward, and by Dr. Bolton, candidate for school trustee.

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A BY-LAW

TO RAISE $12,000.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A SITE AND THE ERECTION THEREON OF A HOME FOR THE AGED AND INFIRM OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Whereas a petition under Section 69 of the Municipal Clauses Act has been presented to the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, signed by the owners of more than one-tenth of the value of the real property in the City of Victoria, as shown by the last revised Assessment Roll, requesting the said Council to introduce a by-law to raise the sum of $12,000.00 by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation wherewith to purchase a site and erect thereon a Home for the Aged and Infirm of the City of Victoria.

And whereas the total amount required to be raised annually by rate for repaying the said debt and the interest thereon and for creating an annual sinking fund for paying the said debt within twenty years according to law is $885.00.

And whereas the whole ratable land and improvements of real property of the said Corporation of the said City of Victoria, according to the last revised Assessment Roll for the year 1904, is $14,336,320.00.

And whereas it will require an annual rate of three-fiftieths of a mill on the dollar for paying the new debt and interest.

And whereas this by-law may not be altered or repealed without the consent of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Therefore the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:

1. It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the Corporation of the City of Victoria to borrow upon the credit of the said Corporation by way of the debentures hereinafter mentioned, from any person or persons, or body or bodies corporate, who may be willing to advance the same as a loan, a sum of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of $12,000.00 currency or sterling money, at the rate of 4.86 2-3 dollars to the one pound sterling, and to cause all such sums so raised or received to be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the said Corporation for the purpose and with the object hereinbefore referred to.

2. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor to cause any number of debentures to be made, executed and issued for such sums as may be required, not exceeding, however, the sum of $12,000.00, either in currency or sterling money (at the rate of 4.86 2-3 dollars to the one pound sterling), each of the said debentures being of the amount of $500.00, or its sterling equivalent at the rate aforesaid, and all such debentures shall be sealed with the seal of the said Corporation and signed by the Mayor thereof.

3. The said debentures shall bear date the 1st day of February, 1905, and shall be payable in twenty years from the said date at such place either in Great Britain, the Dominion of Canada, or the United States of America as may be designated thereon, and shall have attached to them coupons for the payment of interest, and the signatures to the interest coupons may be either written, stamped, printed or lithographed.

4. The said debentures shall bear interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum from the date thereof, which interest shall be payable half-yearly at such place, either in Great Britain, the Dominion of Canada or the United States of America, as may be expressed in the debenture and coupons.

5. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor to cause the said debentures and the interest coupons, either or both, to be made payable at such place, either in Great Britain, the Dominion of Canada or the United States of America, as may be desired.

6. It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the said Corporation to dispose of the said debentures at a rate below par, and to authorize the Treasurer to pay out of the sums so raised by the sale of the said debentures all expenses connected with the preparation and lithographing of the debentures and coupons, or any discount or commission or other charges incidental to the sale of the said debentures.

7. If deemed advisable by the Mayor, there shall in the said debentures be reserved to the Corporation the right upon any future consolidation of the debenture indebtedness of the City to substitute debentures of such consolidation secured upon the credit of the City generally. Such consolidated debentures shall contain the like covenants, conditions and restrictions as are contained in the debentures issued in pursuance of this by-law, and in each debenture issued hereunder, a clause conditioned for such substitution may be inserted.

8. For the purpose of raising annually the sum required for the payment of the interest on the said debentures during their currency, there shall be raised annually the sum of $480.00, and for the purpose of creating the sinking fund aforesaid for the payment of the debt at maturity, there shall be raised annually the sum of $405.00.

9. For the purpose of the payment of the said sums in the next preceding paragraph mentioned, there shall be raised and levied in each year a rate of three-fiftieths of one mill in the dollar on all the ratable land and improvements in the City of Victoria during the continuance of the said debentures or any of them.

10. The moneys to be raised under the authority of this by-law shall be used in and for the purchase of a site and the construction thereon of a Home for the Aged and Infirm of the City of Victoria.

11. This By-Law shall, before the final passing thereof, receive the assent of the electors of the said Corporation in the manner provided for in the Municipal Clauses Act, and shall take effect on the 20th day of January, 1905.

12. This By-Law may be cited as the "Home for the Aged and Infirm Loan By-Law, 1905."

Passed the Municipal Council on the 27th day of December, 1904.

NOTICE.

Take notice that the above is a true copy of the "Home for the Aged and Infirm Loan By-Law, 1905," upon which the vote of the Municipality will be taken on Thursday, the 12th day of January, 1905, at the Old Fire Hall Building, facing Pandora street, for the North, Central and South Wards, that the poll will be kept open between the hours of 8 a. m. and 4 p. m., and that W. W. Northcott has been appointed the Returning Officer of the said vote.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

City Clerk's Office,
Victoria, B. C., 28th December, 1904.

Municipal Notice

THE DOUGLAS STREET EXTENSION COMPENSATION LOAN BY-LAW, 1905, AND THE HOME FOR THE AGED AND INFIRM LOAN BY-LAW, 1905.

I hereby give notice that such of the electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria as are entitled to vote on a by-law for raising money upon the credit of the Municipality, are requested to attend at the polling place or places of the Ward or Wards of the said Municipality, at which they are so entitled to vote, on Thursday, the 12th day of January, 1905, from 8 a. m. to 4 p. m., and to record their votes for or against the passage of the Douglas Street Extension Compensation Loan By-Law, 1905, and the Home for the Aged and Infirm Loan By-Law, 1905, copies of which By-Laws are published in the Victoria Daily Times, and copies whereof are posted up at the City Hall and at each of the polling places and in each Ward; and to take notice that the said By-Laws will not be valid, or of any effect, unless the vote polled in favor thereof be at least three-fifths of the votes polled.

The polling places are as follows, viz.: For the North Ward, Central Ward and South Ward, at the Old Fire Hall Building facing Pandora street.

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A BY-LAW

TO RAISE A SUM OF $25,000 WHEREWITH TO PAY COMPENSATION TO PROPERTY OWNERS DAMAGED BY THE EXTENSION OF DOUGLAS STREET AND TO COMPLETE THE FILLING OF THE JAMES BAY MUD FLATS.

Whereas a petition under section 69 of the Municipal Clauses Act has been presented to the Municipal Council signed by the owners of more than one-tenth in value of the real property in the City of Victoria, as shown by the last revised Assessment Roll, requesting the said Council to introduce a by-law to raise a sum of $25,000 for the purpose of compensating property owners damaged by the extension of Douglas street and for the completion of the filling in of the James Bay Mud Flats, and the Council has acceded to the prayer of such petitioners.

And whereas it will require an annual rate of one-tenth of one mill in the dollar for paying the new debt and interest.

And whereas the whole ratable land and improvements or real property of the said Corporation of the City of Victoria, according to the last revised Assessment Roll for the year 1904, was $14,336,320.

And whereas the total amount to be raised annually by rate for paying the debt which will be created hereunder and the interest thereon, and for creating an annual sinking fund for the payment off of the said debt within fifty years, according to law, is $1,165.00.

And whereas this by-law may not be altered or repealed except with the consent of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Therefore the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:

1. It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the Corporation of the City of Victoria to borrow upon the credit of the said Corporation, by way of the debentures hereinafter mentioned, from any person or persons, or body or bodies corporate, who may be willing to advance the same as a loan, a sum of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of $25,000 currency or sterling money at the rate of 4.86 2-3 dollars to the one pound sterling, and to cause all such sums so raised or received to be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the said Corporation for the purposes and with the object hereinbefore recited.

2. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor to cause any number of debentures to be made, executed and issued for such sums as may be required, not exceeding, however, the sum of $25,000, either in currency or sterling money (at the rate aforesaid), each of the said debentures being of the amount of $1,000 or its sterling equivalent at the rate aforesaid, and all such debentures shall be sealed with the seal of the said Corporation and signed by the Mayor thereof.

3. The said debentures shall bear date the 1st day of February, 1905, and shall be made payable in fifty years from the said date, at such place, either in the Dominion of Canada, Great Britain or the United States of America, as may be designated thereon, and shall have attached to them coupons for the payment of interest, and the signatures to the interest coupons may be either written, stamped, printed or lithographed.

4. The said debentures shall bear interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum from the date thereof, which interest shall be paid half yearly at such place, either in the Dominion of Canada, Great Britain or the United States of America, as may be desired.

5. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor to cause the said debentures and interest coupons, either or both, to be made payable at such place, either in the Dominion of Canada, Great Britain or the United States of America, as may be desired.

6. It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the said Corporation to dispose of the said debentures at a rate below par, and to authorize the Treasurer to pay out of the sums sa raised by the sale of the said debentures all expenses connected with the preparation and lithographing of the debentures and coupons, or any discount or commission or other charges incidental to the sale of the said debentures.

7. If deemed advisable by the Mayor, there shall in the said debentures be reserved to the Corporation the right upon any future consolidation of the debenture indebtedness of the City to substitute debentures of such consolidation, secured upon the credit of the City generally. Such consolidated debentures shall contain the like covenants, conditions and restrictions as are contained in the debentures issued in pursuance of this by-law, and in each debenture issued hereunder a clause conditioned for such substitution may be inserted.

8. For the purpose of raising annually the required sum for the payment of the interest on the said debentures during their currency, there shall be raised annually the sum of $1,000.00, and for the purpose of creating the sinking fund aforesaid for the payment off of the debt at maturity there shall be raised annually the sum of $165.00.

9. For the purpose of the payment of the said sums in the next preceding paragraph mentioned there shall be raised and levied in each year a rate of one-tenth of a mill in the dollar on all the ratable land and improvements in the City of Victoria during the continuance of the said debentures or any of them.

10. This by-law shall, before the final passing thereof, receive the assent of the electors of the said Corporation in the manner provided for in the Municipal Clauses Act, and shall take effect on the 3rd day of February, 1905.

11. This by-law may be cited as the "Douglas Street Extension Compensation Loan By-Law, 1905."

Passed the Municipal Council on the 27th day of December, 1904.

NOTICE.

Take notice that the above is a true copy of the "Douglas Street Extension Compensation Loan By-Law, 1905," upon which the vote of the Municipality will be taken on Thursday, the 12th day of January, 1905, at the Old Fire Hall Building, facing Pandora street, for the North, Central and South Wards, that the poll will be kept open between the hours of 8 a. m. and 4 p. m., and that W. W. Northcott has been appointed the Returning Officer of the said vote.

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City Clerk's Office,
Victoria, B. C., 28th December, 1904.

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Victoria	9.00	12.06	Victoria	3.00	7.00
Shawnigan Lake	10.20	10.46	Shawnigan Lake	4.20	5.40
Duncans	11.00	10.02	Duncans	5.00	5.00
Ladysmith	11.57	9.10	Ladysmith	5.52	4.00
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SPORTING ITEMS.

HOCKEY.

R. G. A. v. VICTORIA.

At Oak Bay on Saturday afternoon a league match will be played between the Victoria and R. G. A. teams, commencing at 3 o'clock. Appended is the local eleven: Goal, C. McLean; full backs, A. McLean and K. Gillespie; half backs, W. Winsby, W. Jaegers and H. Gillespie; forwards, L. York, A. Gillespie, K. Scholefield, centre (capt.), B. Schwengers and B. Tye. Reserves, H. R. N. Cobbett and J. Hart.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

MEETING TO-NIGHT.

This evening an important meeting of the Victoria United Football Club will be held at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, Broad street. The chair will be taken at 8 o'clock promptly, and Capt. Goward requests that all players make a point of attending.

EGERIA v. BONAVENTURE.

An Island League schedule match is being played this afternoon between the Egeria and Bonaventure teams at the Canteen grounds.

BILLIARDS.

THE DRIARD TOURNEY.

Two tournament matches were played last evening at the Driard hotel. J. Anderton (rec. 75) defeated J. W. Elliott (rec. 75) by a score of 300 to 294 points. The second match was between B. J. Perry (scratch) and Capt. Johnson (rec. 30). It was won by the former, the score being 300 to 214 points.

This evening two games will be played, namely, Robson vs. Cuthbert and Ellis vs. Menzies.

HANDBALL.

ANOTHER TOURNEY.

The New Year's tournament of the J. B. A. A. will commence on the 15th inst. at the club gymnasium. Following is a full list of entries received: J. Hunter and J. Leeming, R. Peden and K. Hughes, S. Jost and S. McB. Smith, B. C. Pettingell and J. Sutherland, A. Belyea and J. Finlaison, R. Woods and D. Mowat.

THE FIRST ROUND.

Appended are results in the first round of the Fernwood handicap tournament:

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
P. K. Winch	2	2	0	100
R. Wescott	3	2	1	66
W. P. Marchant	3	2	1	66
W. P. Bassett	2	1	1	50
E. B. Jones	2	1	1	50
E. E. Wescott	3	1	2	33
H. Gray	3	1	2	33
H. P. Davis	2	0	2	00

AN EVEN CONTEST.

An exciting game in the Y. M. C. A. tournament was played last evening between Terry and Fisher and Northcott and Roskamp. The former won out by an exceedingly narrow margin, as will be seen by the score, 21-19, 15-21, 21-20. H. E. Hobbis acted as referee.

BASKETBALL.

LEAGUE MATCHES.

On Saturday evening intermediate and junior matches will take place at the drill hall between the Cloverdale and No. 5 Company teams. The juniors will line up at 8 o'clock and the intermediates immediately after. Appended are the respective teams:

Intermediate.

No. 5 Co.—Forwards, Clegg and Morris; guards, Sweeney and Jenkinson; centre, Roskelly.

Cloverdale—Forwards, A. Dakers and C. Cousins; guards, J. Dakers and R. Owens; centre, A. Chislett.

Junior.

No. 5 Co.—Forwards, Johnston and Sellick; guards, Ross and Clark; centre, Clegg.

Cloverdale—Forwards, G. Coughlan and N. Owens; guards, E. Harris and C. Coughlan; centre, B. Graham.

Y. M. C. A. v. FERNWOODS.

The Y. M. C. A. and Fernwood intermediate and junior teams will try conclusions to-morrow evening at the F. Y. M. A. hall. These are league matches and commence at 8 o'clock sharp. Following are the Fernwood teams:

Junior—Guards, D. Todd and A. Robson; centre, B. Silman; forwards, F. Barnes and A. Campbell.

Intermediates—Guards, G. Lyall (capt.) and H. Neelands; centre, B. Robertson; forwards, H. Jameson and J. Morrison.

A PRACTICE GAME.

A practice match will be played between a J. B. A. A. team, captained by R. Peden, and the Fernwood senior five, this evening at the F. Y. M. A. hall. The game commences at 8.15 o'clock. Following is the line-up of the Fernwood team: Guards, A. Shotbolt and E. A. Gallop; centre, W. Peden; forwards, W. Malcolm and F. Moore.

THE SMOOT CASE.

United States Senate Committee is Now Hearing the Defence.

Washington, Jan. 11.—When the defence in the Senator Smooth case investigation was taken up to-day, the room of the senate committee on privileges and elections was crowded with women. Wm. J. McConnell, of Northern Idaho, was the first witness. He is a member of the Presbyterian church. Mr. McConnell said that one of the principal causes why the Democratic party was boycotted by the Mormon church was that Senator Dubois called the Mormons criminals.

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CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA

Balance Sheet, 31st December, 1904.

ASSETS.

SINKING FUNDS.

Public Lighting By-law, 1885	$ 15,396 88	
Drainage By-law, 1885	4,822 10	
Water Works Loan By-law, 1886	39,840 36	
Streets and Bridges By-law, 1886	11,339 93	
Johnson St. Sewer Loan By-law, 1886	8,689 72	
Water Works Loan By-law, 1888	5,807 43	
Sewerage Loan By-law, 1890	48,797 83	
Public Market Site By-law, 1890	7,317 93	
Public Market Building By-law, 1890	8,946 05	
Flour Mill Bonus By-law, 1889	6,828 98	
Agricultural Association Loan By-law, 1891	11,444 29	
Loan under authority "City of Victoria Act, 1892"	71,561 56	
Street Loan By-law, 1892	2,472 38	
Surface Drains By-law, 1893	13,031 31	
Education Loan By-law, 1894	8,358 28	
Electric Lighting By-law, 1894	4,365 99	
Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital Aid By-law, 1894	2,853 81	
Exhibition Loan By-law, 1894	2,035 39	
Sewerage Loan By-law, 1894	8,143 21	
Water Works Loan By-law, 1894	11,860 74	
Consolidated Debenture Loan By-law, 1899	38,219 54	
Point Ellice Bridge Accident Loan By-law, 1900	26,518 61	
James Bay Mud Flats Reclamation By-law, 1901	1,521 71	
High School Loan By-law, 1901	613 27	
Govt. Street Paving Loan (City's share) By-law, 1901	3,518 22	
Sewer Loan Guarantee By-law, 1902	2,676 48	
Langley and Bastion Streets Paving Local Improvement By-law	385 00	
New Point Ellice Bridge Loan By-law, 1901	3,043 31	
		$ 370,410 31

MUNICIPAL TAXES, LICENSES, ETC., OUTSTANDING.

Assessment roll, 1901	174 15	
Assessment roll, 1902	11,699 43	
Assessment roll, 1903	13,039 51	
Assessment roll, 1904	21,704 95	
Water rates and rents	6,151 35	
License other than liquor	755 00	
Sewers Rental and and Sewers Tax Fund	2,130 84	
Permanent sidewalks	1,547 20	
Permanent approaches and driveways	282 10	
Market rents	60 00	
		$ 57,544 53
Debentures sold but not delivered		67,263 41

BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

General account	6,896 10	
Admiral's house	110 29	
City of Victoria Act	67 70	
James Bay Mud Flats Reclamation By-law, 1901	6,804 00	
New Point Ellice Bridge Loan By-law, 1901	234 77	
Sewer Loan Guarantee By-law, 1902	44,140 99	
Sewers Rental and Sewers Tax Fund	1,915 09	
Carnegie Library fund	6,155 00	
Home for the Aged and Infirm	95 00	
		$ 66,418 94
Cash		830 76
Corporation City of Victoria being excess of liabilities over assets		1,820,100 40
		$2,382,568 35

Certified correct.

JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor.

City Hall, 7th January, 1905.

CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.

LIABILITIES.

LOANS.

Public Lighting By-law, 1885; due 1905	$ 16,000 00	
Drainage By-law, 1885; due 1905	5,000 00	
Water Works Loan By-law, 1886; due 1916	75,000 00	
Streets and bridges Loan By-law, 1886; due 1936	50,000 00	
Johnson St. Sewer By-law, 1888; due 1928	30,000 00	
Water Works Loan By-law, 1888; due 1928	20,000 00	
Sewerage Loan By-law, 1890; due 1940	300,000 00	
Public Market Site By-law, 1890; due 1942	45,000 00	
Public Market Building By-law, 1890; due 1942	55,000 00	
Flour Mill Bonus By-law, 1889; due 1911	10,000 00	
Agricultural Association Loan By-law, 1891; due 1911	25,000 00	
Loan under authority City of Victoria Act; due 1917	188,000 00	
Street Loan By-law, 1892; due 1942	25,000 00	
Surface Drains By-law, 1892; due 1943	125,000 00	
Educational Loan By-law, 1894; due 1944	85,000 00	
Electric Lighting By-law, 1894; due 1944	55,000 00	
Prov. Royal Jubilee Hospital Aid By-law; due 1944	35,000 00	
Exhibition Loan By-law, 1894; due 1944	25,000 00	
Sewerage Loan By-law, 1894; due 1944	100,000 00	
Water Works Loan By-law, 1894; due 1944	150,000 00	
Consolidated Debenture Loan By-law, 1899; due 1919	210,000 00	
Point Ellice Bridge Accident Loan By-law; due 1925	200,000 00	
James Bay Mud Flats Reclamation By-law; due 1951	150,000 00	
New Point Ellice Bridge Loan By-law, 1901; due 1951	75,000 00	
High School Loan By-law, 1901; due 1951	30,000 00	
Govt. Street Paving Loan (City's share) By-law; due 1911	13,500 00	
Sewer Loan Guarantee By-law, 1902; due 1952	200,000 00	
Langley and Bastion Streets Paving Local Improvement By-law; due 1913	4,643 21	
Yates Street Local Improvement By-law; due 1914	5,128 60	
		$2,307,271 81
Deposit account	$ 640 00	
Broad Street Assessment Relief By-law, 1902	1,032 84	
Admiral's house refund	110 29	
Carnegie Library fund	6,155 00	
Bank of British North America, special advance against debentures sold but not delivered	67,263 41	
Home for the Aged and Infirm	95 00	
		$2,382,568 35

CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Real Property, Etc., Owned by the Corporation.

REAL PROPERTY.

Lot 318, Block H., Yates St. Stables	$ 8,000 00	
City Hall property	111,000 00	
Market property	113,000 00	
Gravel Pits, Niagara street	1,200 00	
Pound property	2,500 00	
James Bay mud flats	10,000 00	
Fire halls	12,600 00	
School property	208,950 00	
Isolation Hospital	34,000 00	
Agricultural Hall and Grounds	30,000 00	
Electric Light Building and Site	20,000 00	
Lot 1, Block 70, Fort Property	9,750 00	
Carnegie Library	34,000 00	
Lot 47, Spring Ridge	1,000 00	
		$ 596,000 00

OTHER PROPERTY.

Water Works Construction account	$857,158 62	
Fire Department, including horses, engines, etc.	31,995 00	
Rock Crushers, rollers, sprinklers, horses and carts, etc.	7,625 00	
Electric Light Plant	69,000 00	
Old Men's Home, Building and Furniture	2,000 00	
City Hall Furniture	2,500 00	
Public Library	7,000 00	
		$ 977,273 62

PROPERTY HELD IN TRUST.

Beacon Hill Park	$400,000 00	
Cedar Hill Park	5,000 00	
Water Front, James Bay, for esplanade	16,800 00	
Lots on Ontario, Simcoe, Superior, Michigan and Montreal Streets, held for Park purposes	28,200 00	
Cemeteries	47,410 00	
		$ 497,410 00
		$2,070,683 00

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Receipts and Expenditures, 1904.

RECEIPTS.

1st January to 31st December, 1904.	
Cash, 1st January, 1904	$ 745 28
Bank of British North America, 1st January, 1904	1,964 23
Land and Improvement Tax, General rate	107,365 74
Land and Improvement Tax, Special rate, "Debt."	143,661 75
Interest and costs on overdue taxes	2,659 91
Water Rates and Rents	70,063 82
Licenses, Liquor	26,110 00
Licenses, other than Liquor	17,577 50
Cemetery Fees	2,921 50
Dog Tax	1,214 00
Fire Insurance Co.'s Tax	9,525 00
Market Fees and Rents	884 30
Permanent Sidewalks	4,443 23
Permanent Approaches and Sidewalks	999 58
Streets, Bridges and Sidewalks refunds	2,450 05
Police Court Fines and Fees	4,436 90
Miscellaneous receipts	480 20
	4,426 00
Interest from Investment of Sinking Funds	1,406 80
	12,979 00

EDUCATION.

Provincial Government per capita grant	$ 31,176 46	
Provincial Government High School Grant	2,100 00	
Special Rate	23,898 10	
		$ 57,174 56

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Special Rate	$ 11,749 67	
Refunds Isolation Hospital	1,392 00	
Refunds Darcy Island Station for Lepers	754 83	
		$ 1[illegible]

Corporation of the City of Victoria, B. C.

EXPENDITURE.

1st January to 31st December, 1904.	
City Debt	$145,285 88
Municipal Council	5,017 25
Civic Salaries	17,492 25
City Institutions (maintenance)	133,819 00
Buildings and Surveys	3,180 39
Streets, Bridges and Sidewalks	121,682 05
Miscellaneous Expenditure	24,885 61
Education	76,042 21
Board of Health	18,356 36
Deposit Account	650 00
Point Ellice Bridge Accident Claims	10,000 00
	$556 411 00

Certified correct.

JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor.

CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.

City Hall, 7th January, 1905.

DETAILED EXPENDITURE.

Statement showing the Expenditure for the year 1904, as brought to account in the Treasury of the City of Victoria, from the 1st January, to the 31st December, 1904.

City Debt.

Interest on Debentures	$86,750 82	
Guarantee of Interest, Victoria & Sidney Railway	9,000 00	
Interest under Annual Loan By-law	4,564 95	
		$100,315 77
[illegible] Funds	30,349 83	
[illegible] Fund Local [illegible]ovement	972 00	
[illegible]t on Investment [illegible]king Funds	12,979 00	
		$ 44,300 83
[illegible]ge and Exchange	189 28	
[illegible]t on Debentures sold	30 00	
		$145,285 88

Receipts and Expenditures, 1904—Continued.

Registrar Supreme Court	$ 75 00
Home for the Aged and Infirm, legacy G. Kennell	95 00
Deposit Account	910 00
Bank of British North America, special advance against Local Improvement Debentures, sold but not delivered	67,263 41
Langley and Bastion Streets Paving Local Improvement By-law	1,500 00
Yates Street Local Improvement By-law	520 30
Yates Street (upper part) Local Improvement By-law	1,284 47
Fort Street and Cook Street Local Improvement By-law	1,852 39
General Sidewalks Construction Local Improvement By-law, 1904	2,064 75
Government Street Paving No. 2 Local Improvement By-law.	1,284 59
	$564,232 86

STATEMENT.

Showing Details of Miscellaneous Receipts.

Sewerage and Plumbing Inspection Fees	862 25
Building Permits	105 00
Library Fines and Fees	43 90
Crossings	52 90
Moving Buildings	60 00
Sale of Voters' Lists	9 25
Tax Sale Deeds	5 00
Rents	215 00
Sale of old iron	10 00
Sale of hay and manure	57 50
Sale of Animals, Birds, etc.	130 00
Street Lines	30 00
Refunds from Chinamen	15 00
Sale of By-laws	5 00
Corporate Seal	3 00
	$ 1,403 80

Municipal Council.

The Mayor	$ 1,687 25	
The Aldermen	3,330 00	
		$ 5,017 25

Civic Salaries.

Treasurer's Office	$ 4,680 00	
City Clerk's Office	2,220 00	
Assessor's Office	2,400 00	
Janitor	720 00	
Temporary Assistance	492 25	
Engineer's Office	4,480 00	
Barrister and Solicitor	2,500 00	
		$ 17,492 25

City Institutions (Maintenance).

Water Works—

Salaries	$ 6,705 00	
Maintenance, general	11,450 26	
Maintenance, Pumping Stations	6,363 56	
Maintenance, Filter Beds	1,377 65	
Construction	13,908 01	
		$ 39,804 48

Cemetery—

Salaries	$ 1,330 00	
Maintenance, including water rate	1,107 03	
		$ 2,437 03

Park—

Salaries	$ 720 00	
Maintenance, including water rate	3,248 65	
		$ 3,968 65

Pound—

Salaries	$ 760 00	
Maintenance, including water rate	660 93	
		$ 1,420 93

Police—

Salaries	$23,479 15	
Maintenance, including water rate	7,039 00	
		$ 30,519 14

Fire Department—

Salaries	$17,245 70	
Maintenance, including water rate	12,416 28	
		$ 29,661 98

Library—

Salaries	$ 840 00	
Maintenance	324 70	
		$ 1,164 70

Street Lighting—

Salaries	$7,980 00	
Construction	1,103 41	
Maintenance, including water rate	9,003 39	
		$ 18,086 80

Public Market—

Salaries	$ 840 00	
Maintenance, including water rate	76 47	
		$ 916 47

Sewerage—

Water rate	$2,500 00	
		$ 2,500 00

Home for the Aged and Infirm—

Salaries	$ 600 00	
Maintenance, including water rate	2,738 82	
		$ 3,338 82
		$133,819 00

Buildings and Surveys—

City Hall repairs	$ 1,406 02
Market Property	64 53
Fire Halls	373 12
Furniture	214 85
Cemetery Lodge	4 57
Agricultural Hall	417 02
Electric Light Station	69 78
Yates Street Stables	78 50
Land at Gorge	200 00
Surveys	352 00
	$ 3,180 39

Streets, Bridges and Sidewalks—

Salaries	$ 2,700 00
Maintenance	18,643 72
Permanent sidewalks	8,320 00
Dallas road retaining wall	2,439 56
New work	21,967 08
Permanent approaches and driveways	1,222 80
"Yates Street Local Improvement By-Law"	12,260 34
"Yates Street (upper part) Local Improvement By-Law"	13,532 77
"Fort Street and Cook Street Local Improvement By-Law"	22,175 31
"General Sidewalks Construction Local Improvement By-Law, 1904"	14,645 86
"Government Street Paving, No. 2, Local Improvement By-Law"	3,774 61
	$121,682 05

Miscellaneous Expenditure—

Election expenses	$ 1,335 35
Advertising and printing	4,270 18
Stationery	1,004 87
Postages	452 75
Telegrams and messenger service	191 06
Telephones	1,075 29
Fuel and light	775 85
Hacks and express	237 50
Fire insurance	321 25
Legal expenses	374 50
Refunds	218 53
Charitable aid fund	2,384 30
Aged and Infirm Women	1,539 05
Secret service	37 50
Celebration "Victoria Day"	815 00
Commission on revenue collections	504 45
Tax sale costs	351 70
Special grants (Tourist Association, $3,000 00)	4,862 50
Band concerts	504 00
Compulsory sewer connections	91 00
Miscellaneous not detailed	2,938 98
	$ 24,885 61

Education—

Teachers' salaries	$ 54,862 50
Board of School Trustees, including water rate	15,381 21
Interest on loans	5,025 00
Annual payment to sinking funds on loans	773 50
	$ 76,042 21

Board of Health—

Salaries	$ 4,426 50
Removal of garbage	697 50
Darcy Island station for lepers	790 23
Grant Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital	4,901 00
General purposes Board of Health	7,541 13
	$ 18,356 36

Deposit Account—

Deposits returned	$ 650 00
Point Ellice Bridge Accident Claims— Balance of note, Bank of British North America	$ 10,000 00

City Hall, January 7, 1905.
Certified correct,

JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor.
CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Sewers Rental and Sewers Tax Fund.

1904.		1904.	
Jan. 1—Balance Bank of British North America	$ 1,510 14	Interest on debentures	$ 8,000 00
Dec. 31—Sewers rental fund, received to date	6,147 25	Annual Payment to sinking fund	1,312 00
Sewers tax fund, received to date	5,953 38	Maintenance of sewers	2,438 98
Interest	55 30	Dec. 31—Balance Bank of British North America	1,915 00
	$13,666 07		$ 13,666 07

City Hall, January 6, 1905.
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CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Loan Under Authority of the James Bay Mud Flats Reclamation By-Law, 1901.

1904.		1904.	
Jan. 1—Balance Bank of British North America	$ 40,634 49	Dec. 31—Expenditure to date	$ 54,951 15
Canadian Pacific Railway Co. contribution towards purchase price of Lot 181	20,000 00	Balance Bank of British North America	6,804 00
Material sold, etc.	372 77		$ 61,755 15
Interest	747 89		
	$ 61,755 15		

City Hall, January 6, 1905.
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CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Loan Under Authority of the New Point Ellice Bridge Loan By-Law, 1901.

1904.		1904.	
Jan. 1—Balance Bank of British North America	$ 74,709 86	Expenditure on New Point Ellice bridge	$ 82,259 23
B. C. Electric Railway Co., Ltd., contribution towards erection of new bridge	18,000 00	Expenditure on Rock Bay causeway	10,313 96
B. C. Electric Railway Co., Ltd., contribution towards causeway across Rock Bay	1,500 00	Victoria Machinery Depot Co., Ltd., deposit returned	2,000 00
Interest	267 32	Dec. 31—Balance Bank of British North America	234 77
Material sold, etc.	330 78		
	$ 94,807 96		$ 94,807 96

City Hall, January 7, 1905.
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CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Loan Under Authority of the Sewerage Loan Guarantee By-Law, 1902.

1904.		1904.	
Jan. 1—Balance Bank of British North America	$117,527 87	Expenditure for year 1904	$ 77,046 44
Material sold, etc.	264 11	Dec. 31—Balance Bank of British North America	44,140 99
Interest	3,395 45		
	$121,187 43		$121,187 43

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CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Carnegie Library Fund.

1904.		1904.	
Jan. 1—Balance Bank of British North America	$ 108 75	Exchange on drafts	$ 43 75
Received from R. A. Franks, Hoboken, N. J.	35,000 00	On account contract	26,500 00
		Clerk of the works	1,375 00
		Architect's fees	600 00
		Fire insurance, 3 years	435 00
		Dec. 31—Balance Bank of British North America	6,155 00
	$ 35,108 75		$ 35,108 75

City Hall, January 7, 1905.
Certified correct,

JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor.
CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Local Improvement Balance Sheet, 31st December, 1904.

ASSETS.

Sinking Funds—	
Fort Street Local Improvement Assessment By-Law, 1899	$ 3,367 16
Yates and Broad Streets Local Improvement Assessment By-Law	7,753 42
Menzies Street Widening By-Law	453 23
Government Street Paving Local Improvement By-Law	2,914 37
Langley and Bastion Streets Paving Local Improvement By-Law	1,129 97
Yates Street Local Improvement By-Law	824 00
Yates Street (upper part) Local Improvement By-Law	755 37
Fort Street and Cook Street Local Improvement By-Law	1,046 93
General Sidewalks Construction Local Improvement By-Law	888 67
Government Street Paving, No. 2, Local Improvement By-Law	122 11
Corporation of the City of Victoria, being excess of liabilities over assets	78,396 39
	$ 97,651 62

City Hall, January 7, 1905.
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LIABILITIES.

Debentures Issued—	
Fort Street Local Improvement Assessment By-Law, 1899	$ 4,300 43
Yates and Broad Streets Local Improvement Assessment By-Law	15,350 00
Menzies Street Widening By-Law	1,260 65
Government Street Paving Local Improvement By-Law	9,900 83
Langley and Bastion Streets Paving Local Improvement By-Law	4,704 90
Yates Street Local Improvement By-Law	7,368 60
Yates Street (upper part) Local Improvement By-Law	12,528 37
Fort Street and Cook Street Local Improvement By-Law	22,567 00
General Sidewalks Construction Local Improvement By-Law, 1904	16,762 54
Government Street Paving, No. 2, Local Improvement By-Law.	2,908 30
	$97,651 62

CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Local Improvement Cash Statement, Year Ending 31st December, 1904.

Cash Bank of British North America, 1st January, 1904	$ 11,816 62	Paid Interest on Debentures as Under—	
Fort Street Local Improvement Assessment By-Law, 1899—		Fort Street Local Improvement Assessment By-Law	$ 215 00
Assessments	$ 548 65	General Maintenance—	
Interest	115 02	Yates and Broad Streets Local Improvement Assessment By-Law	614 00
	$ 663 67	Menzies Street Widening By-Law	50 42
Yates and Broad Streets Local Improvement Assessment By-Law—		Government Street Paving Local Improvement By-Law	396 00
Assessments	$ 820 15	Langley and Bastion Streets Paving Local Improvement By-Law	188 19
Contribution City of Victoria	972 00	Balance Bank of British North America, 31st December, 1904	19,255 23
Interest	243 15		$ 20,718 86
	$ 2,035 30		
Menzies Street Widening By-Law—			
Assessments	$ 235 40		
Interest	11 71		
	$ 247 11		
Government Street Paving Local Improvement By-Law—			
Assessments	$1,405 06		
Interest	90 11		
	$ 1,495 17		
Langley and Bastion Streets Paving Local Improvement By-Law—			
Assessments	$ 801 52		
Interest	22 39		
	$ 823 91		
Yates Street Local Improvement By-Law—			
Assessments	$ 819 00		
Interest	4 40		
	$ 824 00		
Yates Street (upper part) Local Improvement By-Law—			
Assessments	$ 750 05		
Interest	5 32		
	$ 755 37		
Fort Street and Cook Street Local Improvement By-Law—			
Assessments	$1,046 59		
Interest	34		
	$ 1,046 93		
General Sidewalks Construction Local Improvement By-Law—			
Assessments	$ 885 14		
Interest	3 53		
	$ 888 67		
Government Street Paving, No. 2, Local Improvement By-Law—			
Assessments	$ 121 75		
Interest	36		
	$ 122 11		
	$ 20,718 86		

City Hall, January 7, 1905.
Certified correct.

JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor.
CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.

EDUCATION.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures as Required by the Public Schools Act, Section 43.

RECEIPTS.

Per capita grant	$31,176 46	
High school grant	2,100 00	
Special rate	23,898 10	
		$57,174 56

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries, Teachers and City Superintendent		$ 54,862 50
General Maintenance—		
Janitors' wages	$ 4,222 50	
Fuel	1,924 20	
Board expenses	1,421 75	
Furniture	583 75	
Supplies	2,005 15	
Repairs	3,408 88	
Insurance	321 53	
Miscellaneous	1,253 45	
		$ 15,141 21
Corporation Charges—		
Interest	$ 5,025 00	
Sinking fund	773 50	
Water rate	240 00	
		$ 6,038 50
		$ 76,042 21

Victoria, B. C., January 9th, 1905.

F. H. EATON, Secretary Trustees.
GEO JAY, Chairman School Board.

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SMITH, Master.
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MANSON, Master.
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Ship Chandlery	Varnishes
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Excursion to Ladysmith
Wednesday, January 18th, 1905

FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES
VICTORIA AERIE, No. 12.

Train leaves E. & N. Station, 3 p. m. Returning, leaving Ladysmith 3 a. m., Thursday.

TICKETS, ROUND TRIP, $1.50

To be had at W. B. Shakespeare's Jewelry Store, Government street, and from H. A. Muller, German Kitchen, or any member of the Order.

$1,500 Will buy a 6-Roomed Cottage, in good condition; centrally located; sewer connected; easy terms.
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A. W. JONES,
28 Fort Street.

SOME PRIZE WINNERS AT THE POULTRY SHOW

Exhibition Thrown Open to the Public This Morning—Judging Still in Progress.

This morning the annual show under the auspices of the Victoria Poultry and Pet Stock Association was opened to the general public at the Y. M. C. A. annex hall, corner of Broad and Pandora streets. Judging was continued by C. G. Hinds, and is expected to be completed by this evening. At 2.30 o'clock His Honor the Lieut.-Governor delivered a brief address, formally declaring the show open. There was a large attendance throughout the forenoon, and the splendid quality of the birds was very favorably commented upon. As mentioned yesterday, Judge Hinds thinks the exhibition better in most particulars than any held recently on the Pacific Coast. While almost every class is strong, he has found one or two varieties hardly up to the standard, and before leaving Victoria intends pointing out where local fanciers will find room for improvement.

Special reference should be made to the splendid exhibit of Messrs. Machlin & Hodgson in White Plymouth Rocks, and the equally fine display of Buff Wyandottes by J. S. Flett. This morning the eggs in one of the several incubators in operation commenced hatching, attracting quite a throng of interested spectators. The show will continue until Saturday evening, so that all who desire to take in the exhibition may do so without inconvenience.

Following are the awards to date:

White Plymouth Rocks—Cock, 1st, Machlin & Hodgson. Cockerel, 1st and 2nd, Machlin & Hodgson. Hen, 1st, Machlin & Hodgson. Pullet, 1st, 2nd and 3rd, Machlin & Hodgson.

Buff Plymouth Rocks—Cock, 1st, W. Sprinkling; 2nd, R. P. Edwards; 3rd, L. Laing. Cockerel, 1st, J. Wood; 2nd and 3rd, Machlin & Hodgson. Hen, 1st, W. Sprinkling; 2nd, R. P. Edwards; 3rd, Machlin & Hodgson. Pullet, 1st and 2nd, Machlin & Hodgson; 3rd, L. Laing.

Barred Plymouth Rocks—Cock, 1st, Mrs. E. Hodgson; 2nd, J. H. Hughes; 3rd, W. Bickford. Cockerel, 1st and 2nd, Mrs. E. Hodgson; 3rd, W. Bickford. Hen, 1st and 2nd, Mrs. E. Hodgson; 3rd, W. Bickford. Pullet, 1st, Machlin & Hodgson; 2nd, Mrs. E. Hodgson; 3rd, J. W. Flett.

White Wyandottes—Cock, 1st, A. E. Richards; 2nd and 3rd, S. Y. Wootton. Cockerel, 1st, S. Y. Wootton; 2nd, R. P. Edwards. Hen, 1st, Mrs. A. E. Richards; 2nd, A. E. Richards; 3rd, M. Brinkman. Pullet, 1st, R. P. Edwards; 2nd, S. Y. Wootton; 3rd, M. Brinkman.

Silver Laced Wyandottes—Cock, 3rd, C. Heal. Hen, 1st, C. Heal; 2nd, G. Anderson. Pullet, 1st and 2nd, G. Anderson.

Buff Wyandottes—Cockerel, 1st, 2nd and 3rd, J. S. Flett. Pullet, 1st, 2nd and 3rd, J. S. Flett.

Partridge Wyandottes—Cock, 1st and 2nd, W. A. Jameson. Cockerel, 1st, J. S. Flett; 2nd, W. A. Jameson. Hen, 1st and 2nd, W. A. Jameson. Pullet, 1st, W. A. Jameson; 2nd, J. S. Flett; 3rd, W. A. Jameson.

Silver Pencilled Wyandottes—Cock, 3rd, J. S. Flett. Hen, 1st, J. S. Flett. Pullet, 1st and 2nd, J. S. Flett.

Rhode Island Reds (S. C.)—Cock, 1st, G. Anderson. Hen, 1st and 2nd, G. Anderson. Pullet, 1st, G. Anderson.

Light Brahmas—Cock, 1st, 2nd and 3rd, H. Hodgson. Cockerel, 1st, 2nd and 3rd, H. Hodgson. Hen, 1st, 2nd and 3rd, H. Hodgson. Pullet, 1st, 2nd and 3rd, H. Hodgson.

Black Langshans—Cockerel, 1st, A. E. Richards. Pullet, 1st, 2nd and 3rd, A. E. Richards.

Brown Leghorns (S. C.)—Cockerel, 1st, Machlin & Hodgson; 2nd, F. J. Popham. Hen, 1st and 2nd, Mrs. Beddis; 3rd, M. Blackstock. Pullet, 1st, 2nd and 3rd, Machlin & Hodgson.

Brown Leghorns (R. C.)—Cockerel, 1st, H. Reid. Pullet, 1st and 2nd, H. Reid.

White Leghorns—Cock, 1st, J. J. Dougan; 2nd, S. Y. Wootton; 3rd, M. Blackstock. Cockerel, 1st and 2nd, J. J. Dougan; 3rd, R. C. Hall.

PERSONAL.

R. H. Sperling, of the B. C. Electric Railway Company, arrived from Vancouver last evening by the steamer Princess Victoria.

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The friends of Miss Maud Glover will be pleased to know that she is now recovering after an operation for appendicitis.

Campbell Sweeney, manager of the Bank of Montreal, Vancouver, is in the city.

Mrs. Capt. Tatlow came over from Vancouver last evening.

WANTS TO KNOW.

To the Editor:—In this morning's Colonist I observed a letter from Captain O. C. Cullen, in which the following remarks occur:

"The services rendered to Japan by Capt. O'Brien, Mr. Martin Egan, Mr. Trissel, Mr. Gordon Smith, numberless others and myself are the best testimony to the effect of this sentiment in America."

As a great and very ardent admirer of Mr. Gordon Smith's unquestionable genius, I should like to ask through your valuable paper what was the nature of the service rendered to Japan by Mr. Gordon Smith, apart, I mean, from the inestimable service he assuredly did render to that country by taking passage to America on the steamship Shawmut last November, Japan's loss in that respect being, of course, our gain. An explanation by Mr. Gordon Smith would, I am firmly convinced, make some deeply interesting reading.

SHIMPOSHAMPO.

BORDEN'S PEERLESS

Brand Evaporated Cream is preserved without sugar. It is sterilized according to latest sanitary methods, having a delicate flavor and richness which makes it the favorite of the breakfast table for cereals, coffee, tea and chocolate. Avoid unknown brands.

The Odessa police have authorized the bare announcement that a dangerous conspiracy against the government had been unearthed, and that large quantities of seditious literature had been confiscated. That wholesale arrests will be made within the next 24 hours seems to be the general belief.

A dispatch from Greenwood, B. C., says: "The Montreal & Boston Consolidated, which did not get to work until late in the autumn, smelted about 40,000 tons of ore, which yielded in metals as follows: Gold, 3,435 ounces; silver, 13,494 ounces; copper, 920,000 pounds. That would indicate a gross value at full market quotations of $5 a ton."

Of the 42,000,000 people in Great Britain, 1,948 privileged persons own 35,724,258 acres—half the whole kingdom.

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NOTICE.

Tenders will be received by the Department of Inland Revenue until February 1st, 1905, from parties desirous of entering into a three years' contract for the supply of Wood Naphtha to be used in the manufacture of Methylated Spirits.

Each tender must state the price per standard gallon of a strength not less than 67 Over Proof by Sykes's Hydrometer and of a quality to be approved by the Department.

Each tender must have marked on the envelope "Tender for Wood Naphtha," and must be addressed to the Deputy Minister of Inland Revenue.

By order,
WM. HIMSWORTH,
Secretary.
Inland Revenue Department,
Ottawa, 20th December, 1904.

No. 237.

CERTIFICATE OF THE REGISTRATION OF AN EXTRA-PROVINCIAL COMPANY.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

I hereby certify "The Everett Timber and Investment Company" has this day been registered as an Extra-Provincial Company under the "Companies Act, 1897," to carry out or effect all or any of the objects of the Company to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the Company is situate at Everett, County of Snohomish, State of Washington, U. S. A.

The amount of the capital of the Company is three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, divided into three thousand five hundred shares of one hundred dollars each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate at the City of Victoria, and B. V. Bodwell, barrister and solicitor, whose address is 34½ Government street, in said City, is the attorney for the Company (not empowered to issue and transfer stock).

The time of the existence of the Company is fifty years.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 22nd day of December, one thousand nine hundred and four.

(L. S.) S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

The objects for which the Company has been established are:

For the purpose of buying or otherwise acquiring timber-producing, coal, iron and other mineral lands, tenements, hereditaments and other real and leasehold property, or growing timber, or "stumpage," so-called, in the State of Washington and elsewhere, and holding, selling or otherwise dealing in and disposing of the same, and buying, selling and dealing in mortgages covering real or leasehold property, situated in the State of Washington or elsewhere, securing the purchase price of any property so acquired by the execution of mortgages, selling, exchanging, leaving or otherwise disposing of property acquired as aforesaid, and taking mortgages as security for the purchase price of any property disposed of as aforesaid; for the further purpose of catching, booming, sorting, rafting and holding logs, lumber and timber products, constructing or otherwise acquiring and operating sheer and receiving booms, dolphins, piers, piles or other structures necessary and essential to such employment, manufacturing and selling logs, timber and lumber of all varieties, constructing, purchasing or otherwise acquiring and operating mills, works and improvements of every kind necessary and essential to such manufacture, carrying on the business of mining coal, iron and other minerals or ores, and working, smelting, refining, manufacturing and selling the same, and doing any and all things which the trustees may deem necessary or convenient for the improvement, development, enjoyment and use of the property of said Company.

REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA, CHAPTER 92.

Notice is hereby given that one month after date application will be made to the Governor-General in Council for approval of the plan and site of a wharf and sawmill to be erected by William Moore and Ernest W. Whittington on and opposite Lots 7, 8, 9 and 10, in Block B, Work Estate, in the City of Victoria, British Columbia.

A plan of the site with description thereof has been deposited with the Department of Public Works at Ottawa, and a duplicate of each has been deposited in the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C.

Dated this 28th day of November, 1904, at Victoria, British Columbia.

WOOTTON & GOWARD,
Bank of Montreal Chambers,
Victoria, British Columbia,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made at the next session of the Legislature of British Columbia for an Act incorporating the British Canadian Fire Insurance Company, Limited, to carry on the business of Fire Insurance and to do all things appertaining thereto or connected therewith.

HIGGINS & ELLIOTT,
Solicitors for Applicants.
28th December, 1904.

Friday and Saturday
AT
Blygh's Bankrupt Dry Goods Sale

We have here 18 different lines of goods at prices that cannot be touched by others. Things you want, when you need them. We intend making the last two days of this week greater in sales than the first four days, and the goods priced this way will certainly do it. Read the list through, there will be something you need at a great big saving to you.

$6.00 Blouses, $1.90
60 Flannel Cashmere and Silk Blouses, all the latest styles; regular prices from $3.00 to $7.00. Sale price $1.90 each.

75c Dress Goods, 25c
168 yards of Dress Goods in plaids, plain colors and costume mixtures; regular 75c. yard. Sale price 25c. yard.

$2.00 Hats, 25c
31 Hats left in the lot; values were to $3.00 each, but all in one lot now at the sale price, 25c. each.

15c Prints, 8 1-3c
You know what Crum's Prints are. Well we are selling them two days at sale price, 8⅓c. yard.

$3.50 Bear Skin $1.50
5 yards only of White Bear Skin for Children's Jackets; the regular price is $3.50. Sale price $1.50 yard.

10 & 15c Embroidery, 5c
250 yards of White Embroidery, not very wide, but fine; regular 10c. and 15c. a yard. The sale price is 5c. yard.

$1.25 Kid Gloves, 65c
32 pairs of Perrin's French Kid Gloves; regular $1.25 pair; in sizes 7, 7¼ and 7½. Sale price 65c. pair.

$1.00 Silk and Satin, 50c
115 yards of Satin and Silk Mervue, in all colors; regular 75c., $1.00 and $1.25 yard. Sale price 50c. yard.

$2 Child's Dresses, $1
Pink, Blue and White Cashmere Dresses for Children, from 2 to 6 years old; regular $2.00 each. Sale price $1.00 each.

$5 Swiss Curtains $2.50
10 pairs of beautiful Swiss Lace Curtains, 3½ yards long; regular $5.00 pair. Sale price $2.50 pair.

$2. Beaver Cloth, $1
3 pieces of Beaver Cloth for Ladies' or Children's Jackets, in fawn, red and blue; regular $2.00 a yard. Sale price $1.00 yard.

$3.50 Top Skirts, $1.75
Only a few left, but just as good as if there were plenty; Skirts in blue, gray and black; regular $3.00 and $3.00. Sale price $1.75 each.

$25.00 Furs, $12.50
$25.00 Gray Squirrel Stole, $12.50.
$30.00 Large Sable, $15.00.
$15.00 Small Sable, $7.50.
$30.00 Seal Caperlue, $15.00.
$30.00 Fur Lined Cape, $15.00.

$10.00 Capes, $3.50
12 Ladies' Capes in long and short; regular values to $10.00 each. All at one sale price, $3.50 each.

$2 Table Covers, $1.25
25 Tapestry Table Covers, 2 yards square, in red, green and blue. All at one price, $1.25 each.

$10.00 Jackets, $2.95
10 Jackets, worth $7.00, $7.50 and $10.00 regular. All at one sale price, $2.95 each.

At 1-2 Price—1-2c
All Men's Furnishings.
All Ladies' Jackets.
All Furs.

$1.50 Corsets, 95c
50 pairs of D & A, $1.50 quality Corsets—the best in Canada. All at the sale price of 95c. pair.

Writing Paper
Year by year our stationery and leather goods department has been extending its business throughout the Dominion.

We will send, express prepaid, 75 full sheets of linen fabric writing paper, embossed in color with any initial, and 75 envelopes to match for only $1.00.

Engraving of cards, wedding invitations, etc., promptly attended to.

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WANTED—At Spencer's, experienced carpet sewers and layers.

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LOST OR STRAYED—From 203 Superior street, Sunday morning, a black cocker spaniel, 4 months old. Finder please notify above address or Times.

Parties Wishing to Go Skating at Colwood
J. Williams is running a first-class gasoline launch, 4½ h.p. Leave Esquimalt at 10, 11, 12 and 1 o'clock daily; charges moderate. Any parties wishing to return telephone to John Jay, No. 140.

JANES' HAIR RESTORER
Will positively grow hair on any head where the hair bulbs are not entirely destroyed.

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25c., 50c. and $1.00 per Bottle.
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Vancouver, B. C.
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—AND—
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Dentistry in all its branches as fine as can be done in the world, and absolutely free from the SLIGHTEST PAIN. Extracting, filling, fitting of crowns and bridges without pain or discomfort.

Examine work done at the West Dental Parlors and compare with any you have ever seen and then judge for yourself.

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Are the Watchwords of Our Office.

Consultation and your teeth cleaned free. Full set, $7.50; silver fillings, $1.00 up; gold fillings, $2.00 up; gold crowns, $5.00. In fact, all operations as reasonable as our watchwords can make them.

Remember the address:
The West Dental Parlors,
THE IMPERIAL BANK CHAMBERS,
Corner Yates and Government Streets,
(Entrance on Yates St.)
Office hours, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; evenings, from 7 to 9.30.

POULTRY SHOW
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11-14 January, 1905
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